

Massachusetts Saltwater Recreational Fishing Guide



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Massachusetts Has It All!

To all Recreational Fishermen and Divers,

The Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries is proud to present you with this year's edition of our Saltwater Recreational Fishing Guide. The Recreational Fisheries Program's Staff has worked hard to bring you this year's issue. But the Guide has a long successful history, it has been a traditional publication of our Agency for over 20 years.

The Recreational Fishing Guide is designed to provide basic information about the Commonwealth's recreational fishing opportunities. It is a useful tool for the novice or visiting angler to become acquainted with what Massachusetts has to offer, although many long-time resident anglers call for it regularly.

And what we have to offer is hard to beat! Massachusetts is long-famous for record-size striped bass and currently has the largest and most successful recreational striped bass fishery in the country. This single resource is the backbone of our marine recreational fishing industry. Aside from stripers, our state offers diversity throughout its 1,800 mile coastline. In past years, as many as 70 different species of fish have been identified in our recreational catch, including record catches of giant bluefin tuna, flounder, cod, bluefish, tautog and scup.

The total economic activity generated by the Commonwealth's marine recreational fishing industry is enormous, reaching in the area of \$1 billion annually. This economy is driven by high participation levels. About 800,000 anglers each year take to our marine waters to fish, with over 40% composed of visitors from other states and countries.

Funding for this guide and much of the Division's Recreational Fisheries Program is provided by the most effective "user-pays, user-benefits" program in the nation – The Sport Fish Restoration Act (Wallop-Breaux) – where anglers and boaters provide vital financial support for state fisheries management, boating access, and other related programs. This federal law levies a manufacturer's excise tax on fishing tackle, fish-finders and electric trolling motors as well as import duties on tackle and boats. Revenues are directed to a national fund, the Aquatic Resources Trust Fund, which is administered by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service for distribution to the states.

We hope you find this year's Recreational Fishing Guide to be a useful tool. Happy fishing and protect your resources – learn the laws that govern your sport, return undersized or unwanted catch carefully back to the water, and remember to respect the marine environment to ensure future years of enjoyment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul J. Diodati". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Paul" being more prominent.

Paul J. Diodati

Director

General Information

The Division of Marine Fisheries is responsible for the management of the Commonwealth's living marine resources. The Division promotes and develops commercial and recreational fisheries through research, technical assistance, and the collection of statistics. Sport Fish Biologists are assigned to regions of the state and interact with many federal, interstate, state, and local management agencies as well as private fisheries organizations. For further information contact the local Recreational Fisheries Biologists.

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Office of Law Enforcement

Environmental Police Officers are responsible for enforcing Massachusetts fish and game laws including the commercial and recreational harvest of living marine resources. In addition they also enforce the Commonwealth's boating and recreational vehicle laws and regulations. Fishing violations can be reported to one of the following numbers:

Hewitts Cove.....(617) 727-0882
Radio Room(617) 727-6398
North Coastal Bureau.....(978) 283-7764
Toll free Number.....1-800-632-8075

Recreational Fishing Information

Permits are not required for recreational saltwater angling, however, a commercial permit is required when any fish are sold.

Recreational Shellfishing is permitted in designated clean areas and regulated by the individual towns. Contact your town department of Natural Resources for local regulations and permit acquisition.

Recreational Spearfishing while diving does not require a permit.

Recreational Crab Fishing allows up to 50 crabs for family use per day taken by methods other than potting. No permit needed.

Recreational Lobster Fishing requires a non-commercial lobster permit and holders are limited to 10 pots. Permits available only to Mass. residents and non-residents who own real estate in Mass. If diving, a recreational lobster permit endorsed for diving is needed.

Bait Nets: A person may use a small net of **no more than 200 square feet** inside many of the bays and estuaries of the Commonwealth for the sole purpose of obtaining bait fish for personal use. Use of larger nets requires a special permit. Contact DMF for details.

These rules apply in all coastal waters of the Commonwealth which are all waters within the rise and fall of the tide extending out to three miles from an established coastal baseline and include all the waters of Massachusetts Bay, Cape Cod Bay, and Nantucket Sound. These rules do not include the waters within or above any fish-ladder or dam, nor the waters above any tidal boundary established by the Department of Environmental Protection in streams flowing to the sea.

Prohibitions

No discarding of legal size dead striped bass. Fish must be transported with head, body and tail intact to allow for measurement.

Snagging, Snatching of Anadromous Fish: including shad, smelt, white perch, striped bass, trout and salmon.

The taking of Atlantic Salmon, Sturgeon, all marine mammals, all sea turtles and the Diamondback terrapin from Massachusetts waters is prohibited.

For anyone, except the owner, to handle, destroy or molest any lobster or crab pot or other fishing gear including any gear swept up on the shore, beaches or flats whether public or private, or to take fish therefrom is illegal.

To take crabs by pot without a permit is prohibited.

Selling fish without a commercial permit is prohibited.

Other Notes:

Minimum Size Limits are measured as a straight line from the anterior most point of the fish with the mouth closed to the tip of the tail. Tail may be squeezed together for the final measurement. Exceptions: Billfish are measured from the lower jaw to the tail fork. Black sea bass tail filament is not included.

Tuna: Atlantic Tuna are regulated by the federal government. Tuna management is based at: National Marine Fisheries Service Atlantic Tunas Program, Northeast Regional Office, Gloucester, MA 01930-2298. Tel #:(978)-281-9260. Call or write for further information.

Tagging - Periodically the Division conducts tagging studies of a particular finfish species to develop a better understanding of local movements, habitat preference, migration, growth, and general abundance. The angler plays a significant role in retrieving valuable data. Carefully examine your catch for tags. If found, record the tag number if returning fish to water, or snip off the tag if keeping fish. Contact the address printed on the tag and you will be briefed on the tagging study and may even receive a reward. Note: Recently, striped bass, have been tagged in our waters. The Division participates in federal tagging programs as well. Some large, long-term tagging programs are carried out by the following organizations:

U.S. Fish & Wildlife, 1825 Virginia Ave., Annapolis, MD 1-800-448-8322

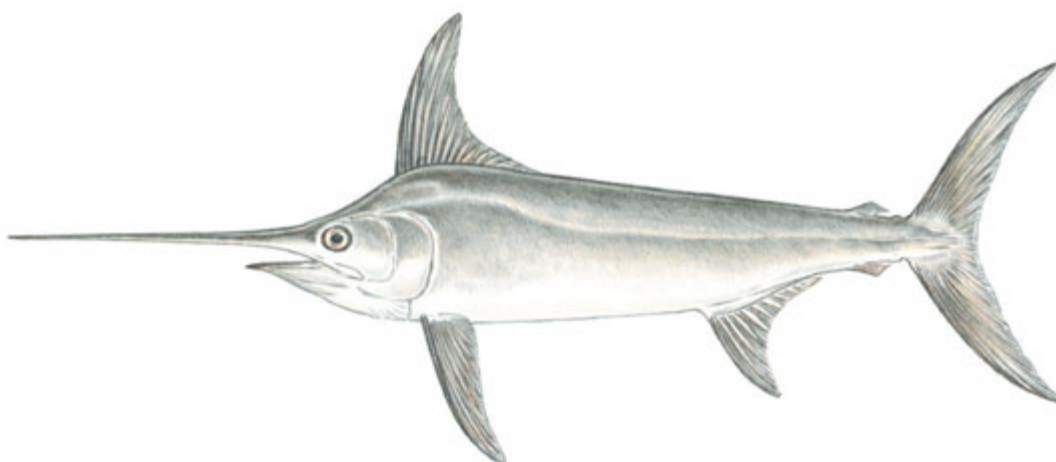
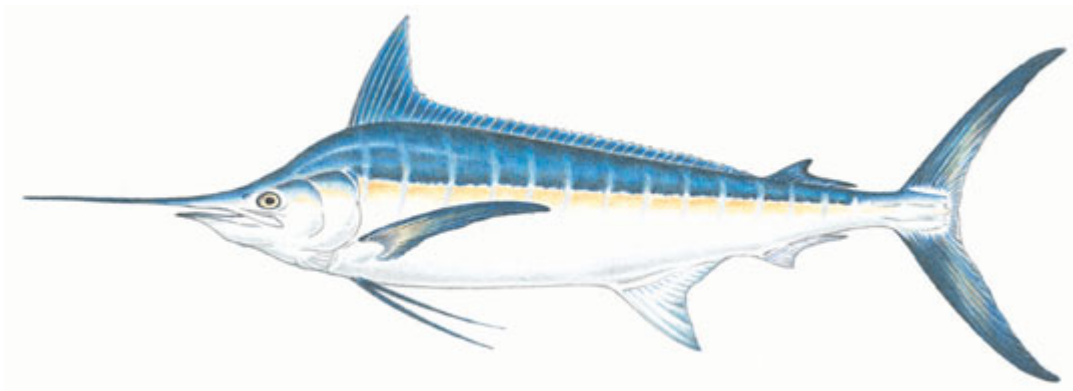
Shark Tagging Program, National Marine Fisheries Service, Narragansett Lab
South Ferry Rd., Narragansett, RI 02882, (401)782-3320

American Littoral Society, Sandy Hook, Highlands, N.J., 07722 , (732)291-0055

The Billfish Foundation, 2051 NW 11th Street, Miami FL 33125, (305)649-8930

Hudson River Foundation, P. O. Box 1731 Grand Central Station, NY 10163

Commonly Caught Species



Billfish: Blue Marlin (top), White Marlin (middle) and Swordfish (bottom)

Blue marlin, white marlin and swordfish, are highly prized big game fish for the offshore angler. Blue marlin are the behemoths of this group and can reach up to 11 ft and have been known to exceed 1,000 lbs. White marlin are similar in appearance to blue marlin though they average a smaller size of 5 ft, which is roughly a 50 lb fish.

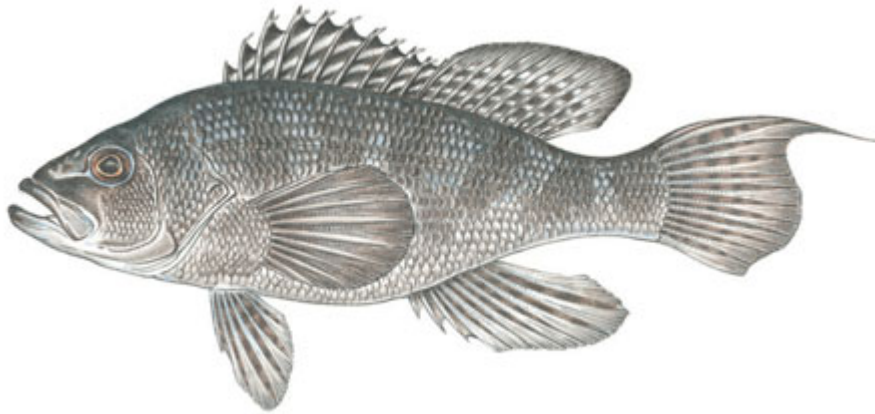
Location: Southern New England, offshore canyons, steep drop-offs on the ocean floor where current boundaries, thermal water fronts and upwellings tend to concentrate schools of bait.

Season: July - September

Baits & Lures: Live or dead baitfish (eg. squid, mackerel, herring, scup) and artificial lures.

Methods and Tackle: Casting from a boat, trolling, medium to heavy tackle.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: Swordfish 150 lbs



Black Sea Bass

The migratory black sea bass is a tasty fish arriving in our near shore waters in the late spring. These fish also have a peculiar life cycle - the majority begin life as females and then change to males at around three years of age.

Location: South side of Cape Cod, Buzzards Bay to Rhode Island border and a few are found in Cape Cod Bay. Fish for them around bottom structure such as reefs, rocks, and wrecks.

Season: May - September

Baits and Lures: Cut squid, clams, green crabs.

Methods and Tackle: bottom fish from a boat.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: 4 lbs



Bonito

Sharpen your reflexes because these small tunas are fast and fun to catch. Watch for feeding schools where there will be jumpers. For a quick identification, look for dark bands running the length of the fish above the lateral line and a silvery belly.

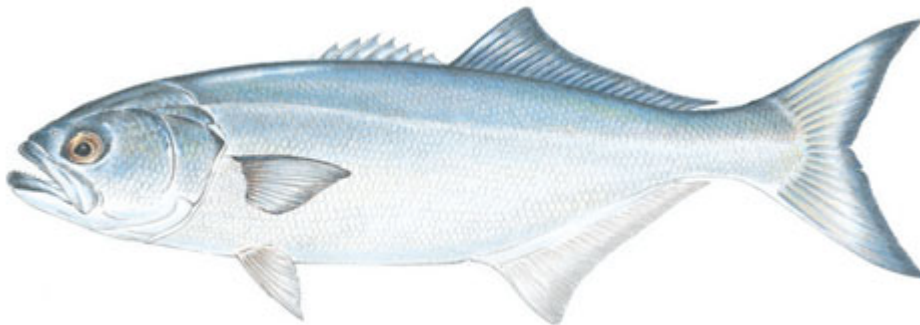
Location: Southern Cape Cod and the Islands, rarely north of Cape Cod.

Season: Late July - October

Baits and Lures: Strip baits, squid, small jigs, spoons, plugs, flies.

Methods and Tackle: Spinning gear, bait casting, light boat rods, trolling, fly fishing.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: 5 lbs



Bluefish

Bluefish are usually ravenous and will strike at just about anything you give them. Watch out for those teeth! They average around 3-7 lbs along the coast and tend to be larger just offshore in the rips. The juveniles, referred to as "snappers," can be found in the estuaries

and are fun to catch with light tackle. In all cases, they put up an excellent fight all the way to your boat or shore.

Location: Whole coast surf, inshore bars, tide rips, bays and estuaries.

Season: June-mid October

Baits and Lures: All small bait fish, jigs, spoons, plugs, spinners, flies.

Methods and Tackle: Casting from shore or boat (you may want to use a wire leader) with spin and fly fishing gear, trolling.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: 12 lbs



Cod

Cod are the deepwater treasures of Massachusetts. They are the number one fish sought after by party boats North of Cape Cod.

Location: Whole coast, deepwater, inshore while water is cold.

Season: Year round.

Baits and Lures: Sea worms, clams, mackerel, strips of all fish, crabs, jigs.

Methods and Tackle: Bait-fishing from shore and boats, fishing from boats using medium to stiff boat rod, conventional reel and at least 50 lb test line.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: 30 lbs



Cusk

Like the cod, the cusk is a cool water fish and is found on hard, rough bottom habitat. Look for the continuous dorsal fin to assist with identification.

Location: Rocky ledges/hard bottom, moderately deep waters (more than 75 feet).

Season: Year round.

Baits and Lures: Same as cod.

Methods and Tackle: Same as cod.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: 20 lbs



False Albacore (Little Tunny)

False albacore are very similar to bonito - fast, fun and sometimes a bit tricky to catch. However, unlike bonito, they make poor table fair.

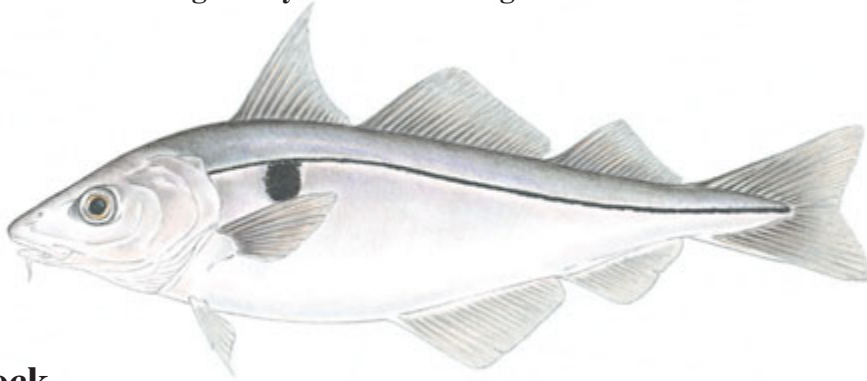
Location: Mostly warmer waters of the south side of Cape Cod and the Islands.

Season: Late July - October

Baits and Lures: Same as for bonito

Methods and Tackle: Same as for bonito

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: 10 lbs



Haddock

Haddock is a member of the cod family and is a delicious fish for the dinner table. The black lateral line distinguishes it from the cod and pollock.

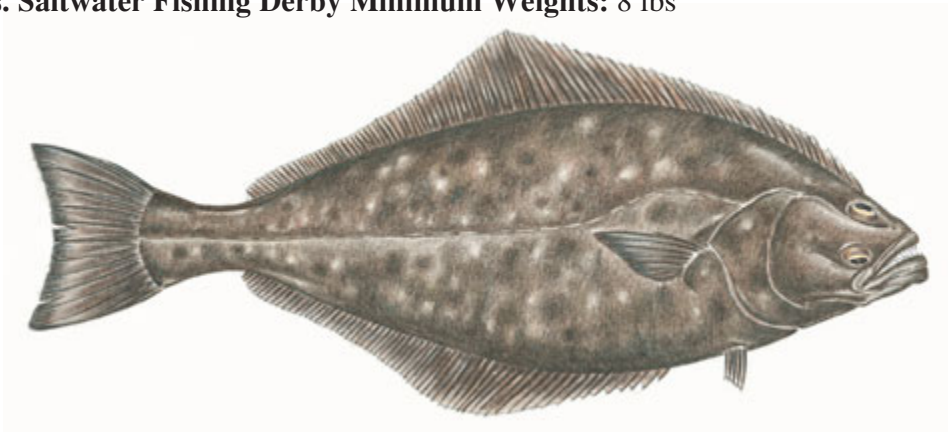
Location: Whole coast, cool waters, prefer depths of 140-450 ft., also prefers shell/sand, smooth rock or gravel bottom.

Season: May - November

Baits and Lures: Seaworms, clams

Methods and Tackle: Still-fishing from a boat, medium action rod

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weights: 8 lbs



Halibut

This is the largest of the Atlantic flatfishes, which if you do happen to hook one, can be very challenging to reel up from deep water.

Location: Whole coast, cool and deep waters, preferred bottom type is sand, gravel or clay

not soft mud or rock.

Season: Year round

Baits and Lures: Seaworms, clams, strips of fish, sandlance, jigs.

Methods and Tackle: Fishing from a boat with medium to stiff rod.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: 50 lbs



Mackerel

Mackerel are fast swimmers and voracious feeders, which offers the angler many options for catching them. They are also an important food fish for many other species of fish and marine mammals.

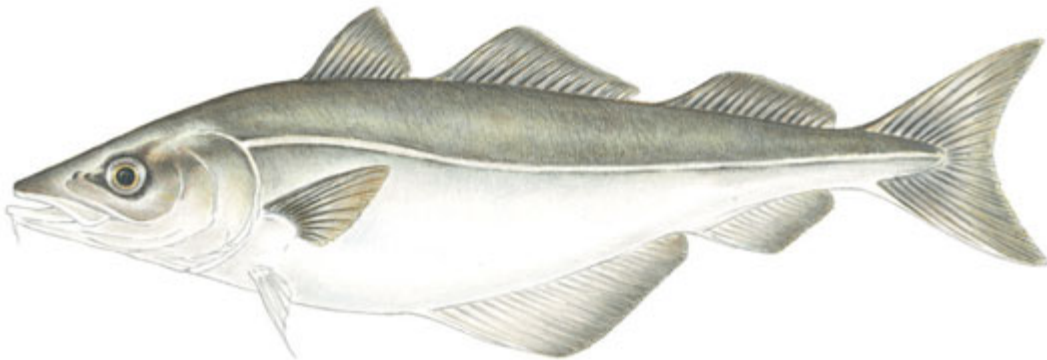
Location: Whole coast, deep water to shallow bays, beaches, jetties, canal, bridges.

Season: May-September

Baits and Lures: Small bait fish, crab, clams, seaworms, squid strips, jigs, spoons, flies.

Methods and Tackle: Trolling, jigging, casting from shore or boat: light tackle.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: 2 lbs



Pollock

The pollock is more available to the angler than its codfish relative. These aggressive fighters offer the thrills of a bluefish and the flesh of a cod.

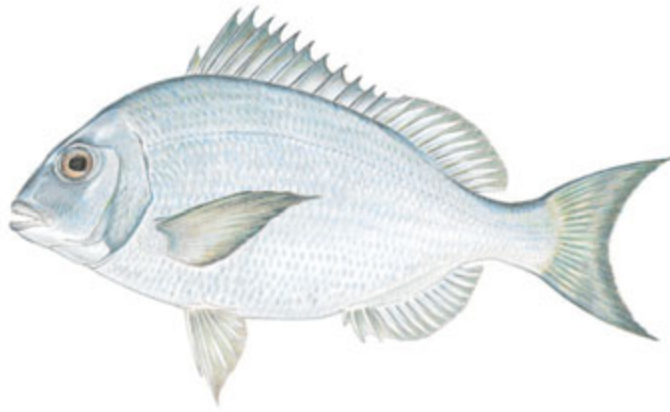
Location: Whole coast with more north of Plymouth. Inshore (breakwaters and other structures) and offshore depending on the water temperatures. Inshore, pollock tend to be smaller than those offshore.

Season: May-October with the best runs in May, Oct.

Baits and Lures: In deeper water use the same as for cod (jigs, clams...). Inshore waters try small plugs, Kastmasters, mackerel jigs, metal lures with a strip of squid.

Methods and Tackle: Still-fishing, casting, trolling. For deep water use same set up as for cod. Lighter spinning gear can be used for inshore fishing.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weights: 12 lbs



Scup

A party boat staple, scup are easy and fun to catch. Scup are very good eating though be careful of the many bones.

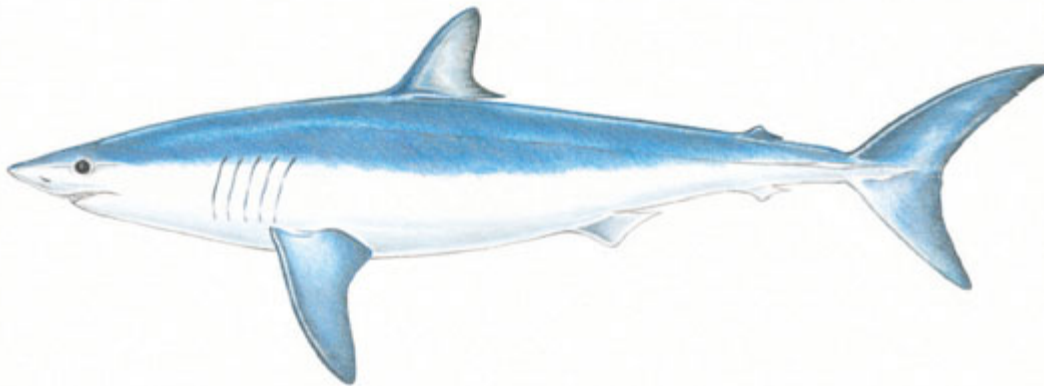
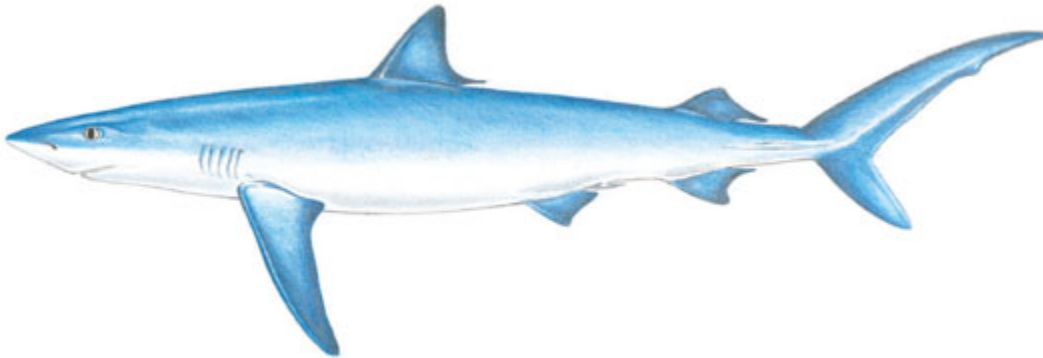
Location: South side of Cape Cod and along coast to Rhode Island

Season: May-October

Baits and Lures: Clams, strips of squid, seaworms.

Methods and Tackle: Light- to medium-weight tackle, drift-fishing, jetties, piers, bridges.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weights: 2 lbs



Sharks: Blue (top) and Mako(bottom)

Blue and mako sharks are common to our offshore waters and are sought after by recreational anglers. Makos are the more aggressive of the two fish and will put up an exciting fight. Venture with an experienced shark angler to prevent unexpected surprises and make sure you bleed and ice the shark flesh immediately. Anglers are encouraged to release sharks not intended for consumption.

Location: South of the Islands, East of Cape Cod, off North shore including Cape Cod Bay.

Season: June-October

Baits and Lures: Chumming and baited hooks (preferably oily fish)

Methods and Tackle: Trolling, drifting; medium to heavy tackle, wire leader.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weights:

Blue shark 300 lbs; Mako shark 150 lbs



Smelt

This small anadromous fish is a seasonal favorite along the coast. They're accessible prior to the spawning runs up coastal streams during the late winter and early spring.

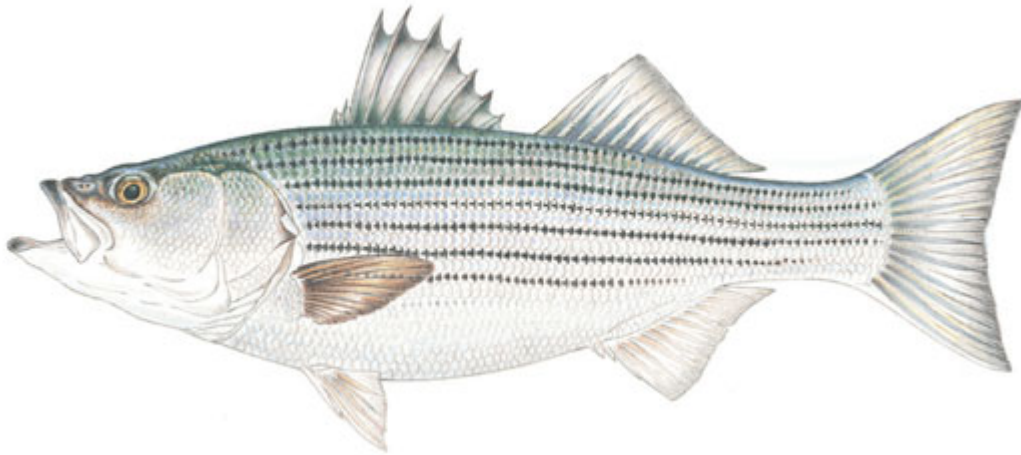
Location: Whole coast, estuaries, the mouths of coastal rivers and within coastal rivers.

Season: Sept-Feb.

Baits and Lures: blood worms, sand worms, grass shrimp, small local bait fish

Methods and tackle: Ice fishing, shore fishing - keep bait moving slowly up and down within the school; light tackle, hand line.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weights: not an eligible species.



Striped Bass

Striped bass is our most sought-after species, providing great sport through catch and release fishing and great eating when you catch a "keeper". Striped bass is one of the largest fish available to the nearshore angler. Fish range from 1 pound to over 60 pounds.

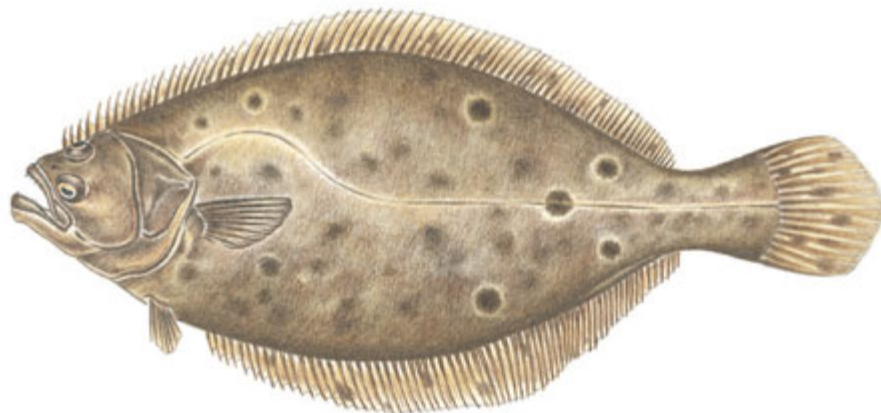
Location: Whole coast surf, inshore bars, reefs, tide-rips, bays and estuaries.

Season: Mid April-October

Baits and Lures: Seaworms, eels, squid, herring; jigs, plugs, spinners, spoons.

Methods and Tackle: Casting from shore, boat-trolling, light to heavy tackle.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: 35 lbs



Summer Flounder (fluke)

Fighting ability and fine flavor highlight this flatfish. The upper surface of the summer flounder head faces left. They also have prominent teeth to assist with their aggressive predatory behavior. Larger fluke are referred to as "doormats". Target sandy or muddy

bottom along with fast moving rips that contain debris and bait fish.

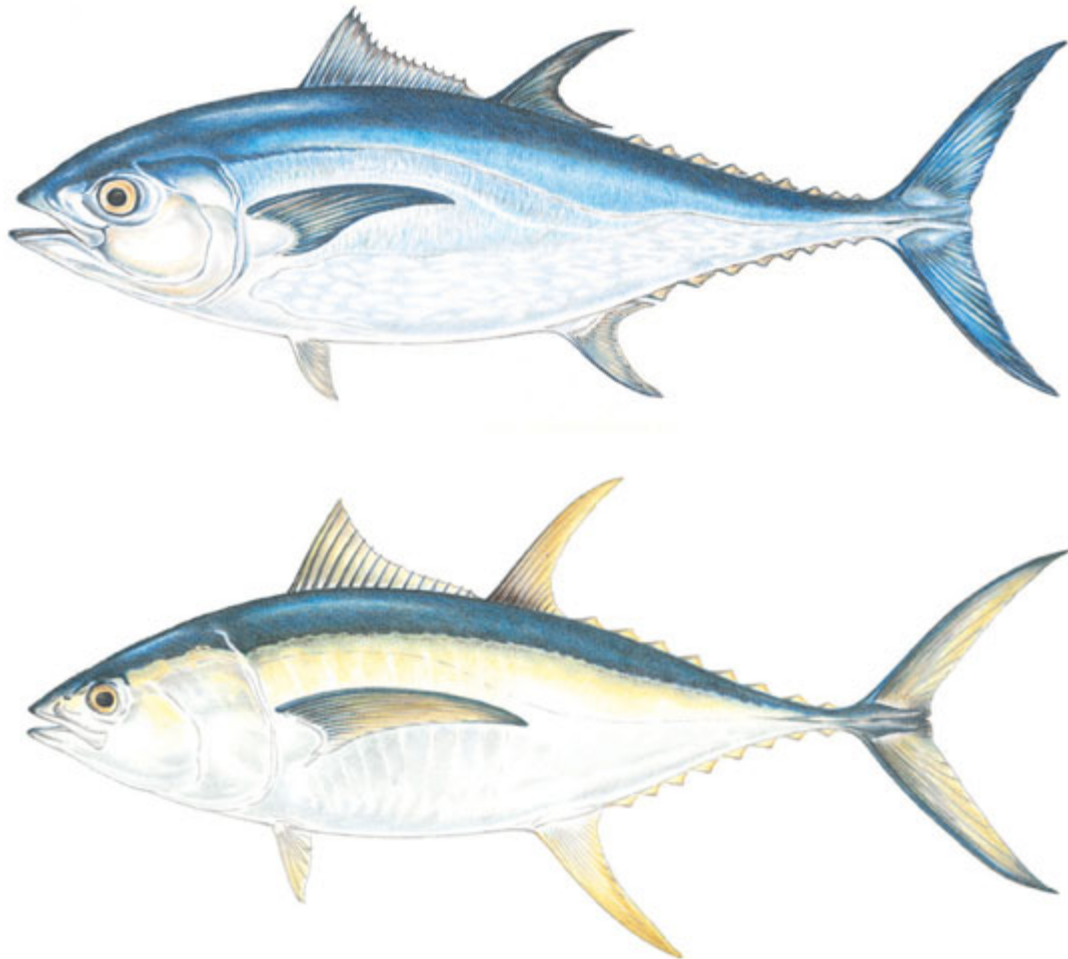
Location: South side of Cape Cod, Islands, Cape Cod Bay, Buzzards Bay.

Season: May-September

Baits and Lures: Minnows, squid strips, clams, shrimp; small jigs, spinners, jigs.

Methods and Tackle: Drift-fishing, troll, chum, still fish, casting.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: 7 lbs



Tunas: Bluefin (top) and Yellowfin (below)

All the tunas are very swift swimmers, provide a thrilling and sometimes backbreaking fight and are literally hot blooded. The giant bluefin tuna is the biggest and most lucrative of the tunas in our waters and thus creates much competition amongst fishermen. Yellowfin are commonly caught in near offshore waters as are albacore.

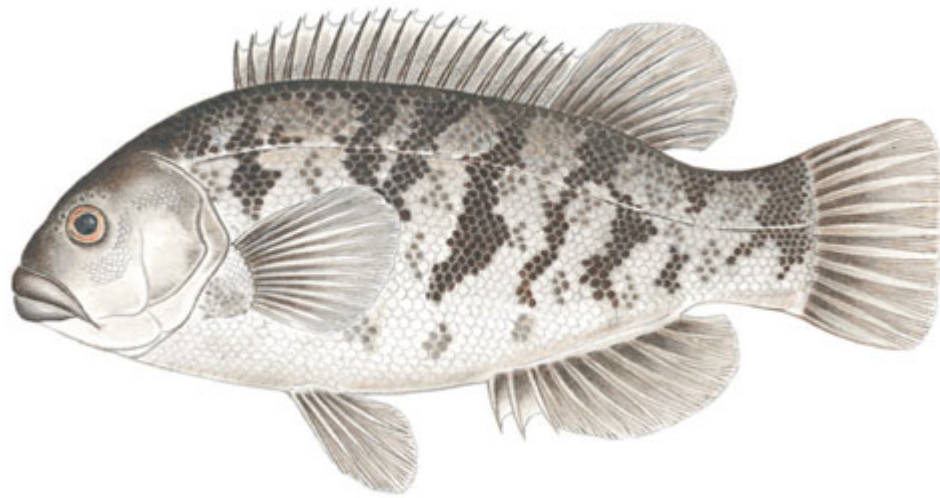
Location: Offshore east of North Shore, Cape Cod Bay, East of Cape Cod, South of Islands offshore in Canyons

Season: Late June-October

Baits and Lures: Bait fish used with chum slick; plastic squids, multi-squid rigs, daisy chains, jigs, artificial lures

Methods and Tackle: Trolling, chunk baits with chum; medium to heavy tackle

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: Yellowfin tuna 50 lbs, bluefin tuna 500 lbs



Tautog

“Tog”, “white chin” and “black fish” are all common nicknames for this fish. Tautog are very slow growing compared to most fish and do not migrate far from where they originate but move inshore in the spring and offshore in the winter.

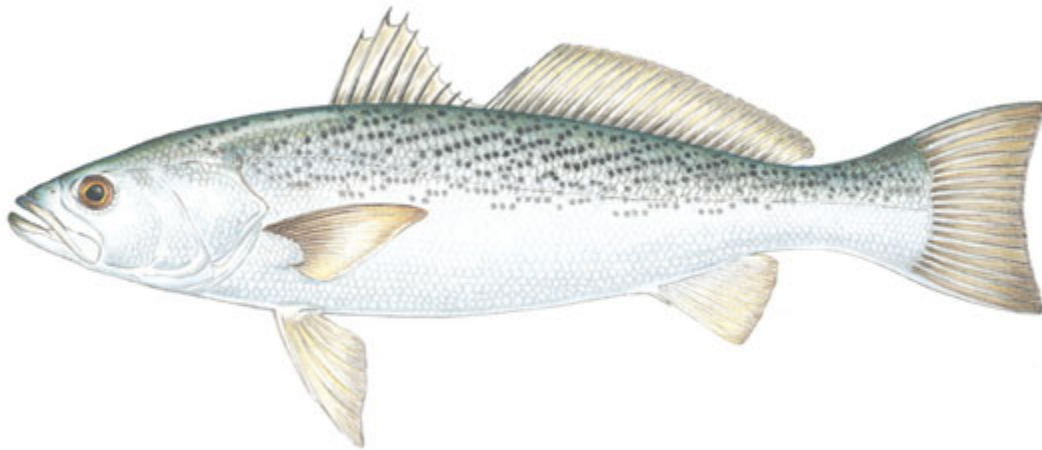
Location: Whole coast, rocky bottoms inshore, bays, harbors, jetties, breakwaters.

Season: April-Nov.

Baits and Lures: Crabs, clams, all shellfish.

Methods and Tackle: Still-fishing from boat or shore, medium action spinning or conventional rod, 20-30 lb test line.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: 8 lbs



Weakfish (Squeteague)

The weakfish looks like a large trout and is found in Massachusetts waters during the summer months. Often found feeding alongside striped bass.

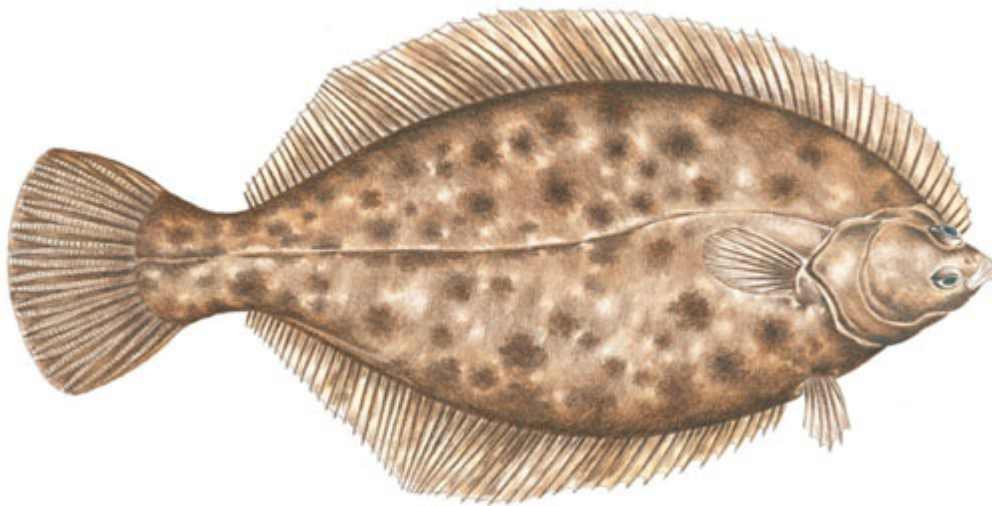
Location: Southern Massachusetts sandbars, deep water drop offs, channels, bays and estuaries

Season: Late June-September

Baits and Lures: Shrimp, seaworms, tinker mackerel, eels, strips of squid; artificial lures (bright plastic shrimp, worms, bucktails, tubes, jigs, sand eel imitations)

Methods and Tackle: Still-fishing, drifting, chumming, casting from shore or boat, trolling; light to medium tackle.

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: 8 lbs



Winter Flounder

The winter flounder (black back) provides good fishing during the cold weather months. They are very accessible and provide the angler with thick fillets to take home.

Location: Whole coast, tidal streams, shallow bays, estuaries.

Season: May-February

Baits and Lures: Sandworms, bloodworms, clams, strips of squid.

Methods and Tackle: Chum pot (crushed clams), still-fishing from boats, piers, jetties, bridges, breakwaters; light tackle

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: 3 lbs



Wolffish (Ocean catfish)

Wolffish are distinguished by their large size, pronounced molar and canine teeth, and the lack of ventral fins. They do not school and prefer hard bottom, not mud, in deep waters.

Location: Whole coast, deep water, incidental to cod fishing.

Season: Year round

Baits and Lures: seaworms, shellfish, crustaceans, jigs

Methods and Tackle: Drift- or still-fishing from a boat

Mass. Saltwater Fishing Derby Minimum Weight: 20 lbs

Access Sites

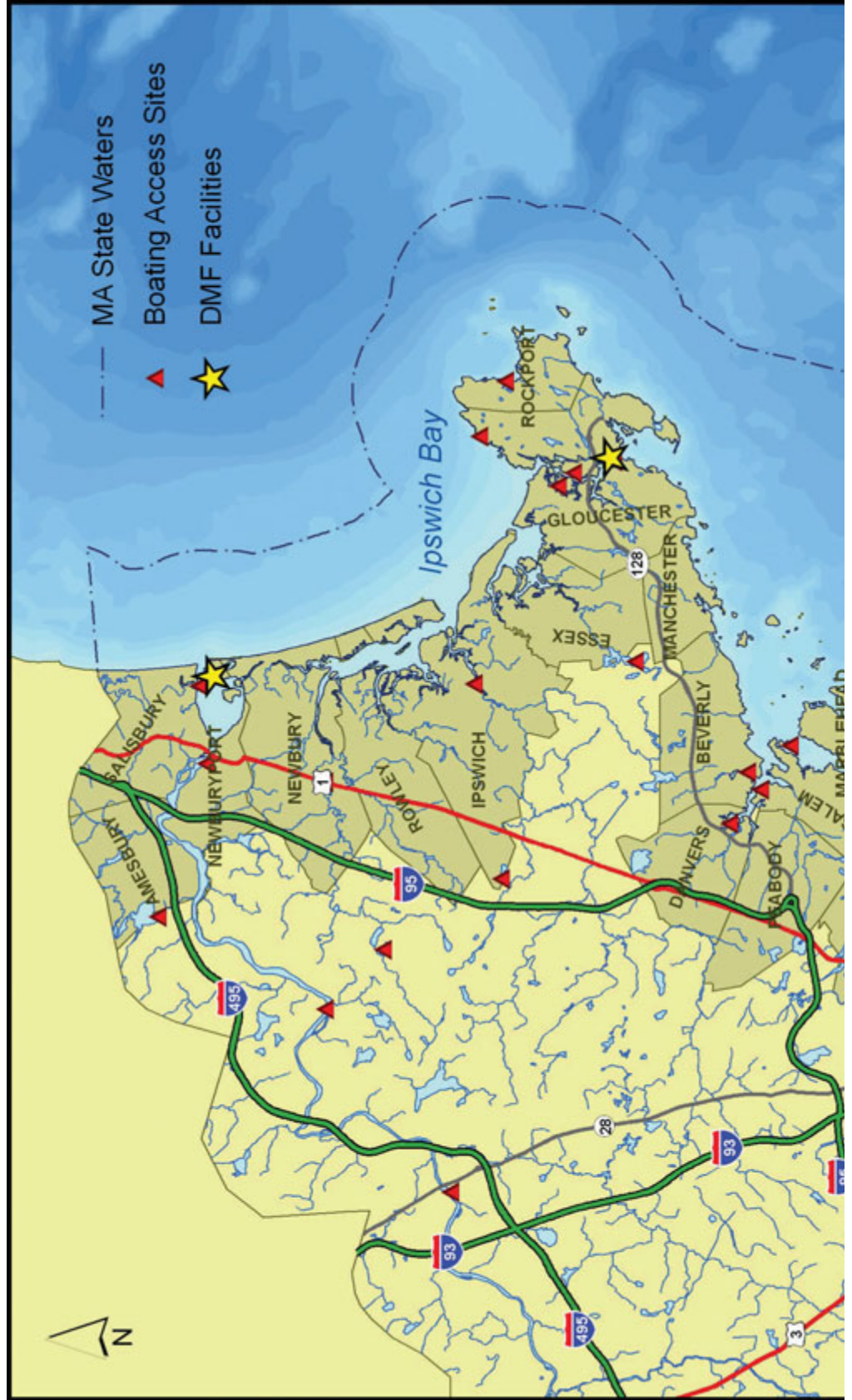
Note: Use of some ramps requires a fee or a parking sticker that may be purchased in advance. Some town parking facilities are limited to town residents only(RO) and noted where applicable. Office of Fishing and Boating Access (FBA) current or future facilities are *italicized*. ** indicates shorefishing area. For more information visit the FBA website at www.state.ma.us/dfwele/PAB/Pab_toc.htm

Location	Jetties	Piers	Ramp	Site Cond.	Usable Tide
NORTH SHORE:					
Salisbury <i>State Beach</i>	3		*	Paved	All
Amesbury Town Landing Merrimac St. (RO)			*	Paved	All
Newbury Newbury Town Landing (RO)			*	Paved	All
Newburyport <i>Cashman Park</i> Merri-Mar Yacht Basin Ferry Landing <i>Water Street</i>			* * * *	Paved Paved Paved Cartop	All All All 1/2
Rowley Perley's Marina			*	Paved	All
Ipswich <i>Town Landing, East Street</i> Water Street		1	* *	Paved Paved	All All
Essex Essex Marina, Dodge Street Pike's Marina, Main Street			* *	Paved Paved	All All
Rockport Granite Pier		1	*	Paved	All
Gloucester <i>Dunfugin Landing</i> <i>Corliss Landing</i> <i>Lanes Cove</i> <i>Long Wharf</i>			* * * *	Paved Paved Paved Paved	All 1/2 1/2 All
Manchester Town Hall			*	Paved	All
Beverly River Street Water Street			* *	Paved Paved	All All
Danvers <i>Popes Landing</i>			*	Paved	All
Salem <i>Kernwood Bridge</i> <i>Winter Island</i>			* *	Paved Paved	All All

Location	Jetties	Piers	Ramp	Site Cond.	Usable Tide
Marblehead					
Causeway			*	Paved	1/2
<i>Riverhead Beach</i>			*	Paved	1/2
Lynn					
DCR Pier/Route 1A		1	*	Paved	All
Lynn Municipal Ramp, Blossom St.			*	Paved	All
<i>DCR Playground</i>		1			
Seaport Landing Marina					
Nahant					
Town Wharf			*	Paved	All
Saugus					
Fishermen's Outlet			*	Paved	All
Winthrop					
<i>Shirley Street</i>			*	Paved	All
Boston					
Castle Island	1	1			
Charlestown Navy Yd. at Pier 4		1			
Puopolo Park					
Charles River Res.		1			
Commercial Street					
Dorchester					
Rainbow Park, Commercial St.			*	Paved	All
SOUTH SHORE:					
Quincy					
Town River Marine			*	Paved	All
666 Southern Artery			*	Paved	1/2
Bay's Water Marine			*	Paved	1/2
128 Bayview Avenue					
<i>Sea Avenue</i>					
Weymouth					
<i>Back River</i>			*	Paved	All
Hingham					
<i>Iron Horse Station, Route 3A</i>			*	Paved	All
Hull					
"A" St. Marine		1	*	Paved	All
Goulds Boat Shop			*	Paved	All
Pemberton Point		1	*	Paved	All
Priscilla Sails			*	Paved	All
Cohasset					
Parker Avenue			*	Paved	1/2
Scituate					
Cole Parkway			*	Paved	All
Driftway Recreation Area			*	Gravel	All
North River Marine			*	Paved	All
<i>Scituate Harbor</i>			*	Paved	All

Massachusetts Coastal Waters

Salisbury to Marshfield



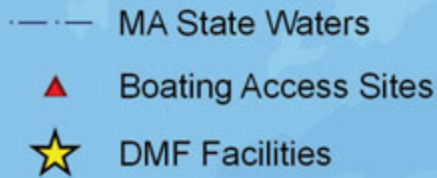


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Location	Jetties	Piers	Ramp	Site Cond.	Usable Tide
Marshfield Brick Kiln Road (canoe only) Green Harbor Marina Humarock, Ferry Street (RO) Humarock Marine Mary's Livery <i>Town Pier, Green Harbor</i> Union Street (canoe only)			* * * * * * *	Gravel Paved Gravel Paved Paved Paved Gravel	All All All All All All All
Duxbury Bay Marine Corp. Mattakeeset Ct.		2	* *	Paved Paved	All All
Kingston Town Landing, River Street			*	Paved	1/2
Plymouth Taylor Avenue (4-WD only) <i>Town Wharf</i>	1		* *	Sand Paved	All All
Wareham <i>Fishing Pier, Route 6</i> East Boulevard, Onset Maco's, Rt. 6-28 <i>Oak St., Tempest Knob</i> <i>Route 195 Eastbound rest area</i>		2	* * * *	Paved Paved Paved Paved	All All All 1/2
Mattapoisett <i>Short Wharf, Water Street</i> Town Landing, Matt Neck Road		2	* *	Paved Gravel	All 1/2
Fairhaven <i>Pease Park, Middle Street</i> <i>Seaview Avenue,</i> <i>Sconticut Neck</i>			* *	Paved Paved	All All
New Bedford <i>East Rodney French</i> <i>Boulevard, H Street</i> <i>West Rodney French</i> <i>Boulevard</i>	2 4	1	* *	Paved Paved	All All
Dartmouth <i>Padanaram</i>			*	Paved	All
Westport Gooseberry Island <i>Rte. 88 Bridge</i>			* *	Paved Paved	1/2 All
Fall River <i>Brownell Street</i>	1		*	Paved	All
Freetown <i>Water Street, Assonet</i>			*	Paved	1/2
Swansea <i>Cole River, Ocean Grove Ave.</i>			*	Paved	All

Location	Jetties	Piers	Ramp	Site Cond.	Usable Tide
Somerset					
Brayton Point Rd.			*	Paved	1/2
Somerset Village			*	Paved	All
<i>Waterfront Park, Main St.</i>					
CAPE COD :					
Bourne					
Barlow's Landing			*	Paved	All
Bourne Marina			*	Paved	All
Canal at Electric Avenue (RO)			*	Paved	All
Hen Cove			*	Paved	All
Monument Beach			*	Paved	All
Red Brook Harbor			*	Paved	All
Falmouth					
<i>Childs River, Off Rte. 28</i>			*	Paved	All
<i>Falmouth Inner Harbor</i>			*	Paved	All
<i>Great Pond, Harrington St.</i>			*	Paved	All
<i>Green Pond,</i>			*	Paved	3/4
<i>Menauhant Road</i>					
<i>Megansett Harbor,</i>			*	Paved	All
County Road					
<i>Waquoit Bay, Seapit Road</i>			*	Paved	All
West Falmouth Harbor,			*	Paved	All
Old Dock Road					
Wild Harbor, Old Silver Beach			*	Paved	All
Great Harbor, Woods Hole	1	1	*	Paved	All
Sandwich					
Canal Basin			*	Paved	All
Canal-East End	2				
<i>Scorton Creek, Inner Beach Lane**</i>				Sand	1/2
Scusset Beach State Park		1			
Mashpee					
Daniels Island Rd.			*	Paved	All
Great Neck Road, Ockway Bay			*	Paved	All
Mashpee Neck Road			*	Paved	All
<i>Poponesset Beach, Wading Place Rd.**</i>					
South Cape Beach	1				
Barnstable					
<i>Barnstable Harbor, Blish Point</i>			*	Paved	All
Barnstable Harbor (RO)			*	Paved	All
Bay Street Osterville (RO)			*	Paved	3/4
Bridge Street, Osterville(RO)			*	Sand	1/2
East Bay Road Osterville (RO)			*	Paved	1/2
Haywood Rd.(RO)			*	Paved	All
Lewis Bay Road Hyannis			*	Paved	All
Ocean View Ave Cotuit (RO)			*	Sand	All
Old Shore Road,			*	Sand	1/2
Ropes Beach (RO)					
Prince Cove (RO)			*	Paved	All
Scudder Lane (RO)			*	Sand	1/2
Iyanough Rd., Hyannisport (RO)	1		*	Sand	1/2

Marshfield to Seekonk





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Location	Jetties	Piers	Ramp	Site Cond.	Usable Tide
Yarmouth Bay View Street Centre Street, Bass Hole Follins Pond Road High Bank Road** New Hampshire Ave. Pleasant St. Beach Sea Gull Beach Parkers River, Rt. 28 Smugglers Beach, South Street	1	1	* * * * * * *	Paved Paved Sand Paved Paved Paved Paved	1/2 1/2 1/2 All 3/4 1/2 All All
Dennis Cold Storage Rd. Follins Pond Horsefoot Cove Sesuit Neck Road Uncle Freeman's Way			* * * * *	Paved Paved Paved Paved Paved	All All All All All
Harwich Allens Harbor Herring River Round Cove Saquatucket Harbor	1		* * * *	Paved Paved Paved Paved	All All All All
Chatham Barn Hill Rd. Bridge Street Crows Pond Mitchell River Bridge Oyster River Ryder's Cove			* * * * * *	Paved Paved Paved Sand Paved	All 3/4 3/4 All All
Orleans Arey's Pond Cove Road Goose Hummock Shop Herring Brook Way Meeting House Pond, River Road (RO) Mill Pond Paw Wah Pond Quanset Road Rock Harbor	1		* * * * * * * * * *	Paved Paved Paved Paved Paved Paved Paved Paved Paved Paved	All All All All All All All All All All
Eastham Rock Harbor Hemenway Road Rt. 6 Town Cove			* * *	Paved Paved Paved	1/2 1/2 1/2
Wellfleet Town Pier			*	Paved	3/4
Truro Pamet Harbor			*	Paved	1/2
Provincetown West End Parking Lot, Commercial Street			*	Paved	1/2

Location	Jetties	Piers	Ramp	Site Cond.	Usable Tide
MARTHA'S VINEYARD:					
Chilmark <i>Great Rock Bight, North Road**</i> Nashaquitsa Pond, South Road Menemsha	1	1	*	Paved	All
Edgartown <i>East Beach, Cape Poge **</i> State Road Memorial Wharf Edgartown Great Pond, Wilson Landing <i>Katama Bay,</i> <i>Edgartown Bay Road</i> Eel Pond, Pease's Point Way	1 1	1	* * *	Sand Paved Paved	All 3/4 All
Aquinnah Menemsha Creek, Lobsterville Beach <i>Dogfish Bar**</i>	1		*	Paved	All
Oak Bluffs <i>State Road</i> Beach Road Harbor, East Chop Drive <i>Pecoy Point, Pulpit Rock Road</i>	3 1		* * *	Paved Paved Cartop	All All All
Tisbury <i>Lagoon Pond, Beach Road</i> <i>Tashmoo Pond, Lake Avenue</i>			* *	Paved Paved	All All
NANTUCKET: <i>Jackson Point</i> <i>Madaket Harbor, H Street</i> Nantucket Harbor			* * *	Paved Paved Paved	All All All

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Department of Fish and Game
1440 Soldiers Field Road
Brighton, MA 02135



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Marine Fisheries Properties



DMF Photo by John Chisholm

The Wareham Fish Pier provides anglers with access to the Wareham River.

Approximately one-half of all saltwater recreational fishing trips take place from shore. Unfortunately, this highly popular method of fishing is being threatened by the rapidly accelerating loss of public access to coastal waters. Much of this loss is the direct result of acquisition and development of coastal properties by private parties who then post their holdings against public access. In Massachusetts, colonial law granted private ownership to the intertidal zone (the wet sand), but reserved the public rights of fishing, fowling and navigation. Although the public rights were reserved for certain uses of the intertidal zone, it is often not possible to enjoy those rights because access across private property to the intertidal zone was never reserved.

To guarantee that the public has access to shore based fishing opportunities, the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries and the Office of Fishing and Boating Access (FBA) with help from Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration funds, has made it a priority to find, acquire and provide access by way of land acquisition of easements and/or tidal property.

Currently there are nine Marine Fisheries Properties and/or FBA properties or facilities providing anglers with access to shore fishing locations:

Wareham River Fish Pier, Wareham:

From Rt. 6 South in Wareham turn left onto Main St just after crossing the Wareham River. The pier is located on the river just below Tobey Hospital. There is a parking area on the property.

Scortons Creek, Sandwich:

From 6A in East Sandwich turn onto Ploughed Neck Road. At the end of Ploughed Neck Road, take a right onto North Shore Blvd. Take a right onto Holway Road. Park on wet sand. NOTE - parking area is flooded at high tide!

Popponesset Beach Shorefishing Area, Mashpee:

From Mashpee Rotary (Rts. 28 & 151) take Great Neck Rd. to Daniel's Island Rd. to Wading Place Rd. Parking Limited at end of Wading Place Rd.

Parker River Fishing Pier, Yarmouth:

Off Main St. (Rt. 28). Parking available at site (managed by the town of Yarmouth).

Bass River Fishing Pier, Yarmouth:

From Main St. turn onto South St. Go approximately .75 miles and fishing pier will be at end of parking lot on left (at the mouth of Bass River). Parking available for boat ramp or fishing pier use. Town charges fee during certain time of year (managed by the town of Yarmouth).

Leland Beach, Edgartown:

From Chappaquiddick Island ferry dock, travel on Chappaquiddick Road until the road turns sharply to the right. Continue heading straight on Dike Bridge Road. Park before or after bridge. The area is managed by the Trustees of the Reservation therefore an entrance fee is required. If you want to drive your vehicle on the beach you will need an over sand vehicle permit. Call the Trustees Superintendent's Office for details (508) 627-7689

The beach is also accessible via the Wasque Reservation entrance.

Follow Chappaquiddick Road to the end and then take a left onto Pocha Rd. Pocha Road takes you to the entrance to Wasque.

Dogfish Bar, Aquinnah:

From Vineyard Haven, take State Road towards Gay Head past Menemsha and Squibnocket Ponds. Take a right onto Lobsterville Road and then a left onto Lighthouse Road. Then take a right onto Oxcart Road, which parallels the beach. Park alongside the road.

Great Rock Bight Shorefishing Area, Chilmark:

Off North Road in Chilmark (managed by the Martha's Vineyard Land Bank).

Fore River Shorefishing Area, Quincy:

From Sea St. take Palmer St. to Yardarm St. to right at Doane St.. Parking at end of Doane St.

Massachusetts Saltwater Fishing Derby

Sponsored by DMF

Rules

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries will acknowledge catches of outstanding saltwater gamefish that meet certain requirements. Eligible species and minimum qualifying weights are listed below:

Eligible Species	Minimum WT(lbs)	Eligible Species	Minimum WT(lbs)
Albacore	30	Mako	150
Bigeye Tuna	100	Pollock	12
Bluefish	12	Porbeagle Shark	150
Bluefin Tuna	500	Scup	2
Blue Shark	300	Sea Bass	4
Bonito	5	Spanish Mackerel	4
Cod	30	Striped Bass	35
Cusk	20	Swordfish	150
Dolphin	15	Tautog	8
False Albacore	10	Thresher Shark	200
Fluke	7	Wahoo	30
Haddock	8	Weakfish	8
Halibut	50	Winter Flounder	3
King Mackerel	6	Wolffish	20
Mackerel	2	Yellowfin Tuna	50

At the end of each derby year trophies will be awarded to anglers who landed the heaviest fish in each species category. Winners will be chosen in three divisions: men, women, and juniors (age fifteen and younger). In addition a "Skillful Skipper" award is presented to any charter/partyboat Captain who has 3 derby winning fish caught on their boat per year.

The derby runs from January 1 through November 30 each year and is open to all age groups. Fish entered must be caught in a fair and sporting manner on hook and line and must be measured and weighed at an official weighstation on a certified scale. Weighmasters can be found at most local marinas and tackle shops (see list beginning on page 34). We would also like to remind participants that any entry must be caught in State Controlled waters and/or first landed in a Massachusetts port.

To enter fill out an official affidavit and have it certified at a weighstation. A list of weighstations can be found on our webstie. Please write clearly and provide all information requested. Affidavits that are illegible or incomplete cannot be accepted. Mail affidavits to: Massachusetts Saltwater Fishing Derby, Quest Center, 1213 Purchase St. New Bedford, MA 02740. Entries must be received within 30 days of catch and be postmarked no later than December 10TH.

Special awards are offered for new state records. If your catch exceeds the weight listed on the current list of Massachusetts Saltwater Gamefish Records, you may qualify for a special award. All weigh-stations have been provided with a copy of the current list. When applying for a new state record your affidavit must be accompanied by a clear photograph of your catch with your name address and telephone number on the back.

*** NEW in 2009 ***
**Massachusetts Saltwater Fishing -
Catch and Release Derby**

Additional rules for Catch and Release Awards

Fish must be released alive - no use of gaffs or harpoons. Fish must be boated and measured for total length (closed jaw to tip of tail, tail may be squeezed together for measurement) except for false albacore which is measured to the fork of the tail.

A photograph of the fish should be included with the affidavit at the time of submission. Exceptions will be made for digital photos which can be e-mailed in a timely manner to john.boardman@state.ma.us. The photo must show the side profile of the fish and include a clearly discernable measuring device.

Anglers may submit multiple entries but may earn only one citation per species per year. Only one trophy will be given for the largest of each species per year. Catch and release of any four eligible species by an angler within the year will qualify for a "Grand Slam" release award. Only one "Grand Slam" award will be given out per year to the greatest cumulative length. In the event of a tie for any catch and release award, the earliest entry will be used as the tiebreaker.

**Eligible Species and Minimum Length
for Catch and Release Awards**

Measured lengths are total length (straight line length tip of longest jaw to tip of tail on a flat surface), except for false albacore which is curved over the body, tip of longest jaw to the tail fork. Lengths should be measured to the nearest 1/2 inch.

Eligible Species	Minimum Length
Bluefish	35"
Cod	42"
False Albacore	26"
Fluke	24"
Striped Bass	45"
Winter Flounder	19"

2008 Massachusetts Saltwater Fishing Derby Winners

Species	Category	Angler	Wt.(lbs-oz)
Albacore	Men	Eli Bonnell	52 lbs. 11 oz.
Black Sea Bass	Men	David Crosby	7 lbs. 12 oz.
	Women	Madeline Bourcier	6 lbs. 8 oz.
	Junior	Wyatt Major	6 lbs. 12 oz.
Bluefish	Men	Jeff Capute	18 lbs. 8 oz.
	Women	Gail Bernier	13 lbs. 2 oz.
Blue Shark	Men	Tom Eichel	398 lbs. 12 oz.
Bonito	Men	Kenneth Panalek	10 lbs. 12 oz.
	Junior	Cullen Larrabee	6 lbs. 13 oz.
	Junior(tie)	Wyatt Jenkinson	6 lbs. 13 oz.
Cod	Men	Robert Schuler	78 lbs. 2 oz.
	Women	Jennifer Phelan	64 lbs. 2 oz.
Cusk	Men	Antonio Capuano	24 lbs. 11 oz.
False Albacore	Men	Mark Copp	13 lbs. 16 oz.
	Junior	Jacob Addison	10 lbs. 4 oz.
Fluke	Men	Raymond Lozeau III	14 lbs. 14 oz.
	Women	Tanya Taber	11 lbs.
	Junior	Matthew Crowther	14 lbs. 3 oz.
Haddock	Men	Allen Lundeen	14 lbs. 8 oz.

Photo courtesy of Bob Crowther



Photo courtesy of Ed Taber



Matthew Crowther (left) with his winning junior division 14 lbs 3 oz. fluke. Tanya Taber (right) with her women's division winning 11 lbs fluke.

King Mackerel	Men	Tim Broderick	8 lbs. 6 oz.
Mako Shark	Junior	Chris Krauter	363 lbs. 13 oz.
Pollock	Men	Robert Provost	35 lbs.
Scup	Men	Jeff Capute	4 lbs. 6 oz.
	Women	Jackie Capute	2 lbs. 10 oz.
	Women (tie)	Kathleen Grenier	2 lbs. 10 oz.
	Junior	Steve DeCosta	2 lbs. 10 oz.
	Junior (tie)	Steve Apanian	2 lbs. 10 oz.
Spanish Mackerel	Men	Anthony Novicki	5 lbs. 13 oz.
Striped Bass	Men	Thomas Kozlowski	53 lbs. 10 oz.
	Women	Erin Williams	51 lbs. 14 oz.
	Junior	Jacob Adelberg	45 lbs.
Tautog	Men	George Kavgic	18 lbs. 4 oz.
	Junior	Dylan Goguen	11 lbs. 14 oz.
Thresher Shark	Men	James Jensen	496 lbs.
Weakfish	Women	Channy Nhep Chea	9 lbs.
Winter Flounder	Men	Jeffrey Silverberg	6 lbs. 8 oz.
	Women	Maryann Scolaro	3 lbs.
	Junior	Devin Freeman	5 lbs.
Wolffish	Men	Scott Yeaton	41 lbs. 8 oz.
	Junior	Patrick LeFemine	28 lbs. 8 oz.

Skillful Skipper Award(s):

Dave Niemi - Capt. John Boats
Jim Walsh - The American Classic



Photo courtesy of Bill Major

Dylan Goguen with his winning junior division 11 lbs. 14 oz. tautog.

Massachusetts Saltwater Game Fish Records

Species	Weight (lbs-oz)	Location	Date	Angler
Albacore	65	Canyons	8/23/03	Tommy Good
Bigeye Tuna	189	Hydrographers	8/25/07	Bill Manthorne
Black Sea Bass	8-15	Buzzard's Bay	5/12/07	Aaron Costa
Bluefish	27-4	Graves Light	9/11/82	Louis Gordon
Bluefin Tuna	1228	Cape Cod Bay	9/23/84	Marlene Goldstein
Blue Marlin	701	Fishtails	7/26/92	Walter Morrison
Blue Shark	454	Inside Fingers	7/19/96	Peter Bergin
Bonito	13-8	New Bedford Dike	9/23/02	Eddie Gomez
Cod	92	Jeffreys Ledge	7/5/87	Robert Radzik
Coho Salmon	18-8	North River	1/21/86	James Lewis
Cusk	34-4	Stellwagen Bank	7/15/90	Gabe Silvestrone
Dolphin	48-10	Hydrographer's	8/2/07	Jonathan Pilcher
False Albacore	19-5	Edgartown	9/27/90	Donald MacGillivray
Fluke	21-8	Nomans Island	9/25/80	Joseph Czapiga
Haddock	20	Stellwagen Bank	1972	Don Rehnstrom
	20	Boston Lightship	8/3/74	Joseph Gelsomini
Halibut	321	Massachusetts Bay	7/21/65	Norman Cournoyer



Photo courtesy of Randy Sigler

Recreational fishing in Massachusetts is fun for the whole family.

Species	Weight (lbs-oz)	Location	Date	Angler
King Mackerel	8-6	Lucas Shoals	9/27/08	Tim Broderick
Mackerel	3-8	Hampton Shoal	10/9/94	Steve Ostrander
Mako Shark	1324	Massachusetts Bay	7/27/99	Kevin Scola
Pollock	48-2	Cashes Ledge	9/14/92	Sal Mocerino
Porbeagle	455	Cape Cod Bay	8/12/07	Jon Behm
Scup	5-14	Nomans Island	10/17/83	Robert Pimental
Spanish Mackerel	7-13	Vineyard Sound	2006	Rocco DeTeso
Striped Bass	73	Quicks Hole	1913	Charles Church
	73	Sow and Pigs	1967	Charles Cinto
	73	Nauset Beach	11/3/81	Anton Stetzko
Swordfish	646	Nomans Island	1972	Albert Little
Tautog	22-9	Gay Head	6/29/78	Michael Horsely
Thresher	548	Star	7/17/04	R. Keith Allison Jr.
Wahoo	131-5		2006	Kenneth Abbott
Weakfish	18-12	Buzzards Bay	8/19/84	George Mahoney
White Marlin	131	Nantucket	7/30/82	Ted Nfatzger
Winter Flounder	8-2	Georges Bank	7/12/96	Tom Hillebrand
Wolffish	55	Cape Cod Bay	6/19/00	Andrew Glovsky
Yellowfin Tuna	187	Nantucket	8/5/90	Mark Boujoukos



Photo courtesy of Scott Edwards

Billy Edwards and Cal Robertie bluefin tuna fishing on Stellwagen bank.

Bait & Tackle Shops

* Denotes official DMF Saltwater Fishing Derby Weighstation.
If you would like to become an official weighstation please contact DMF Biologist
John Boardman (508) 990-2860 xt. 120, john.boardman@state.ma.us

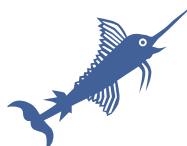
Town/Shop Name	Address	Phone #
<u>NORTH SHORE:</u>		
Merrimac		
Merrimac Bait & Tackle	130 East Main Street	978-346-8835
Salisbury		
Bridge Marina	180 Bridge Road	978-465-1153
Bridge Road Bait & Tackle*	134 Bridge Road	978-465-3221
Clipper Fleet	177 Bridge Road	978-465-7495
Cross Roads Bait & Tackle	1 Merril Street, Suite4	978-499-8999
Elm St. Bait & Tackle	110 Elm Street	978-465-8805
Hudson's Bait & Tackle	50 Bridge Rd.	978-462-8192
Tim's Bait Shop*	134 Beach Road	978-462-1574
Best Bait & Tackle	61 Elm Street	978-465-5588
Newbury		
Surfland Bait and Tackle*	28 Plum Island Boulevard	978-462-4202
Newburyport		
Newburyport Boat Basin	346 R Merrimack Street	978-465-9110
Captain's Fishing Parties*	10 82nd St.	978-462-3141
Newburyport Harbor Marina	51 Water St	978-462-3990
Rowley		
First Light Anglers*	21 Main Street	978-948-7004
Essex		
Fin and Feather Shop	103 Main Street	978-768-3245
Haverhill		
River St. Bait & Tackle	219 River Street	978-374-8159
Ipswich		
Ipswich River Bait & Tackle	57 East Street	978-356-1722
Metheun		
DiGloria's Sport Shop	53 Merrimack Street	978-689-4121
Gloucester		
Fishermen's Outfitter	20 Main Street	978-281-0858
Raf's Bait Wagon	73 Washington St.	978-281-0616
Winchester Fishing Company*	18 Washington Street	978-281-1619
Yankee Fleet*	121 East Main St.	978-283-0313
Marblehead		
The Boat Shop	One Central Street	781-631-5348
Danvers		
Magnum Sporting Goods	467 Maple Street	978-750-0808
Beverly		
Al's Bait & Tackle	24.5 Cabot Street	978-927-3312
Beverly Bait and Tackle	114 Bridge Street	
Salem		
Bridge Street Sports	280 Bridge Street	978-744-2248
Lynn		
Ippi's Bait & Tackle*	5 Parkland Ave.	781-596-0317

Town/Shop Name	Address	Phone #
Seaport Landing Marina* Walsh's Deep Sea Fishing*	154 Lynnway 19 Grant Rd.	781-592-5821 781-598-0099
Revere Mass Bait Shop	466 American Legion Hwy	781-284-8400
Saugus Nemo's Bait Tom's Bait & Tackle*	14 Beachview Ave 78 Ballard Street	781-233-0369 781-941-2011
Everett Fishing Finatics*	90 Main St.	617-381-1997
Winthrop Bob's Bait Shack*	19 Crest Avenue	617-846-5896
Dorchester P & J Bait Shop Van's Bait Shop	1397 Dorchester Avenue 353 Neponset Ave	617-288-7917 617-474-7064
Boston Boston Harbor Tackle Dolphin Bait & Tackle L. Dee's Bait Shop	1825 Davy Blvd. 19 Brooks St., E. Boston 270 Blue Hill Avenue	617-765-5300 617-568-9200 617-442-8173
Waltham The Bait Bucket*	901 Main Street	781-891-8540
Arlington Arlington Bait & Tackle	84 Massachusetts Ave	781-646-5598
<u>SOUTH SHORE:</u>		
Quincy Fore River Bait and Tackle* The Sportsman's Den*	708 Washington Street 666 Southern Artery	617-770-1397 617-770-3884
Norton Burgess Bait & Tackle	95 South Washington St.	781-389-0763 508-285-0003
Weymouth Monahan's Marine	396 Washington St.	781-335-2746
Brockton J & J Bait & Tackle	518 Crescent St.	508-587-0150
Hingham Old Salt Bait & Tackle* RnR Marine Supply	3 Otis St. 425 Lincoln St.	781-740-7200 781-740-1010
Hull Hull Bait and Tackle* Pemberton Bait & Tackle	288 Atlantic Avenue 173 Main Street	781-925-4667 781-925-0239
Scituate Belsan Bait & Tackle*	38 Country Way	781-545-9400
Marshfield Green Harbor Bait & Tackle Grumpy's Bait & Tackle* Mary's Boat Livery	239 Dyke Road 2054 Ocean St. Route 3A/North River	781-834-3474 781-837-2265 781-837-2322
Duxbury Bayman Outfitters Atlantic Anglers	285 St. George Street 433 Washington St.	781-293-2838 781-934-0242

Town/Shop Name	Address	Phone #
Halifax T.C.'s Sportsden*	546 Plymouth St. (Rt 106)	781-294-4840
Hanson Outdoor Sportsman	1019 Main Street	781-293-8777
Kingston G&R Bait & Tackle* Rod Builders Workshop	63 Wapping Rd. Rt. 106 100 Main Street	781-585-9451 781-582-1015
Plymouth Cherry's Bait Shop* M & M Plimoth Bay Outfitters Mike's Bait Black Rose Fishing Charters* Fisherman's Outfitter Grumpy's Bait Shack*	Town Wharf 6 Main Street 9 Charlotte Dr. 4 Sleepy Hollow Dr 26 Union St. 529 State Rd.	508-747-7557 508-747-6338 508-747-6716 508-269-1882 508-747-7440 508-224-3300
Wareham M & D Bait and Tackle* First Stop Bait and Tackle*	149 Main Street 3147Cranberry Hghwy	508-291-0820 508-743-9900
Bourne Cape Cod Charlie's Maco's Inc.* Red Top Sporting Goods* Buzzard's Bait*	340 Scenic Highway, 3253 Cranberry Highway 265 Main Street, 5 Main St.	508-759-2611 508-759-9836 508-759-3371 508-743-9777
New Bedford CMS Enterprise Costa's Bait & Tackle Uncle Ken's Bait and Tackle* Captain Leroy, Inc. John's Bait & Tackle* Never Home Bait & Tackle*	637 Tarkiln Hill Road 407 Bolton Street 314 Dartmouth Street Marina Park/Popes Isl Rt. 6 30 Wood St. 1142 Acushnet Ave.	508-995-2372 508-993-7563 508-991-3022 508-992-8907 508-998-8886 508-999-2988
Westport Westport Marine Specialties*	1111 Main Road	508-636-8100
Fairhaven Fairhaven Bait & Tackle*	130 Main St.	508-996-8682
Fall River Bucko Brothers* Bucko's Parts & Tackle Service Main Bait and Tackle Shop*	462 Second Street 191 Stafford Rd. 2599 South Main Street	508-674-6006 508-674-7900 508-679-3853
Middleboro Tom's Bait & Tackle*	352 West Grove Street	508-947-8220
Taunton Bear's Den Bob's Bait & Tackle	96 Summer Street 19 Crest Ave	508-880-6226 508-738-1985
Acushnet C & P Bait	153 Gammons Rd.	508-998-9979
Berkley Sportsman's Outfitter*	76 Padelford Street	508-823-0442
Seekonk Jim's Sport Shop	1515 A Newman Avenue	508-761-7338

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<u>CAPE COD:</u>		
Falmouth		
Eastman's Sport and Tackle*	783 Main Street	508-548-6900
Falmouth Bait & Tackle*	258 Teaticket Hwy.	508-457-0700
Green Pond Fish'n Gear	348 Rt. 28	508-548-2573
Green Pond Tackle & Marine	366 Menauhant Rd.	508-540-0877
Bad Fish Outfitters	Rt. 28A, N. Falmouth	508-563-3474
N. Falmouth Hardware & Marine	91 County Rd.	508-564-6160
R & R Marine	87A Water St., Woods Hole	508-548-6976
Sandwich		
Forestdale Bait & Tackle*	48 Rt. 130, Forestdale	508-539-8952
Sandwich Ship Supply	68 Tupper Road	508-888-0200
Sagamore		
Canal Bait & Tackle*	101 Cranberry Highway	508-833-2996
Monument Beach		
Cape Cod Bait & Tackle	173 Clay Pond Rd.	508-759-6555
Mashpee		
Sorbus	Mashpee Commons	508-539-0007
Mashpee Bait & Tackle*	22 Falmouth Rd	508-477-7527
Barnstable		
Barnstable Marine Service	Barnstable Harbor	508-362-3811
Osterville		
Osterville Angler's Club*	72 Crosby Circle	508-420-4336
Hyannis		
The Powder Horn Outfitters	210 Barnstable Road	508-775-8975
Sports Port*	149 West Main Steet	508-775-3096
Hyannis Angler's Club*	235 Ocean St	508-951-9692
Hyline Bait & Tackle	110 Ocean St.	508-771-2551
Yarmouth		
Riverview Bait and Tackle*	1273 Route 28	508-862-4671
Truman's Bait & Tackle*	608 Route 28	508-771-3470
Dennis		
Sportsman's Landing	313 Main Street	508-398-4125
North Side Marina	Sesuit Road	508-385-3936
Dennisport		
Anchor Sporting Goods LLC	16 Telegraph Rd.	508-394-2600
Harwich		
Fishing the Cape	Harwich Commons	508-432-1200
Harwichport		
Sunrise Bait & Tackle*	431 Route 28	508-430-4117
Chatham		
Cape Fisherman's Supply	67 Depot Road	800-588-8650
Drew's Sport Shop	1137 Main Street	508-945-0964
Top Rod	1082 Orleans Road	508-945-2256
Orleans		
Bait Shack*	4 Bay Ridge Lane	508-240-1575
Goose Hummock Shop*	15 Route 6A	508-255-0455
The Hook-Up*	85 Lowell Road	508-240-0778
Eastham		
Blackbeard's Bait & Tackle Shop*	50 Brackett Rd.	508-240-3369

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Wellfleet Bay Sails Marine Gone Fishin'	2568 Route 6 2616 Route 6	508-349-3840 508-349-0592
Provincetown Flyer's Boat Rental Nelson's Bait & Tackle*	131A Commercial Street 43 Race Point Road	508-487-0898 508-487-0034
Truro Pamet River Tackle	300 Rt. 6	508-349-3228
<u>MARTHA'S VINEYARD:</u>		
Chilmark Menemsha Texaco	Basin Road	508-645-2641
Edgartown Capt. Porky's Bait and Tackle Coop's Bait and Tackle* Edgartown Marine Outfitters Larry's Tackle Shop* MV Striped Bass and Bluefish Derby* Trader Fred's	13 Dock Street 147 West Tisbury Road 1 Morse Street 258 Upper Main St. PO Box 2101 Main St, Edgartown Triangle	508-627-7117 508-627-3909 508-939-9282 508-627-5088 508-627-8342 508-627-8004
Oak Bluffs Dick's Bait and Tackle* Shark's Landing Bait & Tackle*	108 New York Avenue 2 East Chop Dr.	508-693-7669 508-696-8272
Vineyard Haven Shirley's Hardware	374 State Road	508-693-3070
West Tisbury Osprey Custom Rods & Tackle	15 North Vine Lane	508-693-3474
<u>NANTUCKET:</u>		
Barry Thurston's Bill Fisher Tackle Cross Rip Outfitters Nantucket Angler's Club* Nantucket Tackle Center The Sunken Ship	Harbor Square 14 New Lane 24 Easy Street 1 Whalet street 41 Sparks Avenue 12 Broad Street	508-228-9595 508-228-2261 508-228-4900 508-228-2299 508-228-4081 508-228-9226
<u>CUTTYHUNK:</u>		
Duane Lynch*	10 Shore Rd.	508-997-6387
<u>WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS:</u>		
Ashland Lunkers	159 Main St.	508-881-0031
Milford Jerry's Bait & Tackle	22 Bragg Slip	508-473-9748
Oxford Northeast Live Bait & Tackle*	3 Sutton Ave	508-987-1890



Party & Charter Boats

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<u>Port/Vessel</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Captain/Outfitter</u>	<u>Telephone #</u>
<u>North Shore:</u>			
<i>Lady Diane</i>		George Lemieux	(978) 590-2131
BEVERLY			
<i>Riptide II</i>		North Shore Charters	(617) 513-5830
<i>Sea Anchor</i>		Therese Sauvageau	(978) 921-5485
<i>Whiplash</i>		Mark Kooskalis, North Shore Charters Inc.	(978) 479-8648
BOSTON			
<i>4 Sulls</i>		Patrick O'Sullivan	(781) 706-1653
<i>Blue Moon II</i>	38	Neponset Fishing Charters, James Maloney	(617) 825-0273
<i>Fish Tales</i>		Rich Mulligan	(617) 678-9426
<i>Genevieve</i>		Michael Dowd	(781) 551-8404
<i>Labrador</i>		Donald Campbell	(781) 293-3115
<i>Miss Lydia</i>		Gordon Smith	(978) 779-6359
<i>Nervous Water</i>		Webb Thompson	(617) 899-9065
<i>(No Name)</i>		James Kelly	(781) 891-1219
<i>Pair Of Jacks</i>	43	John Donegan	(617) 361-1022
<i>Polar Bear</i>	38	Robert Glaskin	(781) 963-8860
<i>Reel Pursuit</i>	34	Paul Diggins	(617) 731-1172
<i>Rita C</i>		Robert Carr	(781) 953-8355
<i>Susan C</i>		Al Creech	(781) 982-9836
<i>The Fox</i>		Fred Christian	(978) 745-5339
<i>Viking Son</i>	19	Ernie Johansen	(508) 740-0245
DANVERS			
<i>Fish Hunter</i>		Michael Hyland	(978) 649-8406
<i>Frankie Leigh</i>	26	Mike Famiglette	(508) 932-0357
ESSEX			
<i>Reel Thrills</i>		Agawam Boat & Fishing Charters,	(978) 768-1114

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ESSEX RIVER			
<i>Fin Addict</i>		Richard Delacono	(978) 758-2481
<i>Kingfisher</i>	20	Kalil Boghdan	(978) 468-4398
<i>Sea Otter</i>	19	Sea Fly Charters, Barry Richards	(978) 768-6805
GLOUCESTER			
<i>Amandamarie</i>	35	Matthew Parisi	(508) 783-0171
<i>Anne Rowe</i>		Donald Lowe	(978) 283-2046
<i>Bantry II</i>		Randolph Cotter	(781) 248-1614
<i>Black Pearl</i>	46	Black Pearl Charters, Richard Aprans	(978) 546-6043
<i>Bluedagger</i>	32	Roger Brisson	(978) 290-1822
<i>Catherine M</i>	41	Lance Edwards	(978) 470-0245
<i>Connemara Bay</i>	37	Kevin O'Maley	(978) 283-0197
<i>Dunlin</i>	35	Michael Frontiero	(978) 525-3324
<i>Daybreaker</i>		Francis Marcoux	(508) 335-6339
<i>First Light</i>	24	First Light Guide Service Inc.	(978) 948-7004
<i>Kathryn-Leigh</i>		William Brown	(978) 879-9110
<i>Kayman Too Lisa & Jake</i>	35	Kevin Twombly, Cape Ann Marina	(888) 752-9626
<i>Night Shift</i>	18	Al Williams	(978) 281-1977
<i>Carolina Skiff</i>	17	Steve Barusso	(978) 281-2227
<i>(No Name)</i>		David Moceri	(978) 283-0147
<i>Producer</i>	21	Miles Schlichte	(978) 281-4315
<i>Rock On</i>		Richard Burgess	(978) 526-4781
<i>Sandra D II</i>	25	Striper King Charters, Vito Demetri	(978) 283-0236
<i>Sandy B II</i>	42	Bruce Bornstein	(978) 744-6600
<i>Stella Sea</i>		Lucky Louie Charters	(603) 867-8067
<i>Tail Spin II</i>		Mark Elliot	(978) 762-0129
<i>Tin Lizzy</i>		John McCarthy	(978) 283-4359
<i>Tuna Hunter</i>	36	Gary Cannell	(978) 407-1351

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<i>Yankee</i>		Jan Waalewyn	(508) 846-8862
<i>Yankee Clipper</i>	65	Yankee Fleet Inc.	(978) 283-0313
<i>Yankee Freedom</i>	74		
<i>Yankee Patriot</i>	58		
<i>Yankee Spirit</i>	72		
<i>Last Boat IV</i>			
HARVARD			
<i>On Time</i>	31	Demetrios Koutalakis	(978) 456-3892
IPSWICH RIVER			
<i>(No Name)</i>		Adam Smith	(978) 412-9581
LYNN			
<i>American Classic</i>	100	James Walsh	(781) 599-3088
MANCHESTER			
<i>Katherine M</i>		Johnathan B. Leavitt	(978) 526-9292
MARBLEHEAD			
<i>Keeper</i>	23	Scott Edwards, Keeper Fishing Charters	(781) 631-7600
<i>Laurence H C</i>	34	Raymond Bates Jr.	(781) 639-2544
<i>On The Fly</i>	22	Randy Sigler	(781) 639-7763
<i>Shedy Lady</i>	25	Mark Ryan	(781) 631-3573
NEWBURY			
<i>Erica Lee II</i>	42	Robert Yeomans	(978) 462-8859
NEWBURYPORT			
<i>Atlantis</i>	37	Norman Boucher	(978) 462-7412
<i>Caroline J</i>	24	Offshore Professionals, Inc.	(978) 609-0780
<i>Destiny</i>		Michael Deskin, Destiny Fishing Charters	(203) 640-6995
<i>Erica Lee</i>	42	Robert Yeomans	(978) 463-9425
<i>EZ Hook</i>		Robert Bump	(978) 337-3593
<i>Fin Addict</i>		William Jarman	(978) 360-4346
<i>FishyBizness II</i>		Edward Cloutier	(978) 423-5632
<i>Harpoonist</i>	31	David Auger	(603) 508-0486
<i>Island Girl</i>	30	Craig Poirier	(978) 363-8689
<i>Joppa Tern II</i>		Dan Brown, Joppa Tern Charters	(978) 465-0453
<i>Kelly Ann</i>		Mauro DiBacco	(978) 948-5552

Port/Vessel (No Name)	Length 25	Captain/Outfitter Rings Island Charters, Gary Morin	Telephone # (978) 372-3060
<i>Rods Delight</i>		Rodney Ratcliffe	(978) 687-7669
<i>Salt Fly</i>	22	Stephen Mikolop	(978) 374-1304
<i>Shadowcaster</i>	22	James Goodhart	(978) 463-7755
<i>Summer Job</i>	20	Scott Maguire	(978) 465-2307
<i>Sundance</i>		Sundance Charters	(978) 346-0686
PARKER RIVER			
<i>Down River</i>	23	Dennis Drislane	(781) 593-1336
ROCKPORT			
<i>Broken Arrow</i>		Douglas Opie	(978) 546-2204
<i>Marina Rose</i>		Robert Fisher	(978) 546-6731
<i>New Horizons</i>	44	NewHorizonsFishing.com, Robert Beloff	(978) 546-7442
<i>Reel Deal</i>		Randy Brown	(978) 865-4637
ROWLEY RIVER			
<i>Susan Mari</i>		Kevin McCormick	(978) 948-5046
SALEM			
<i>Off Duty</i>	22	Joseph Dunn	(978) 745-8627
<i>Witch's Gale</i>	22	Dean Valido	(978) 745-9122
SALISBURY			
<i>Challenger</i>	65	Joe Grady	(978) 465-7495
<i>Fishfinder</i>	35	Frank O'Connor	(508) 892-8230
<i>Nicky Moe</i>	20	Paul Piraino	(617) 803-6315
<i>Sea Quest</i>		Brad Fournier	(978) 374-7476
<i>Sundance II</i>	55	Thomas Grady	(978) 465-7495
WINTHROP			
<i>City Slicker</i>	35	John Wallace	(781) 641-3474
<i>Drop A Line</i>	26	Drop-A-Line Charters, Dennis Decarney	(781) 831-3753
<i>Miss Janelle</i>	23	Charles Casella	(978) 290-0705
<i>Flying Fish</i>		Norman Hyett, Fly Fishing Charters	(617) 909-0912
<i>Karma</i>		Ernest Sordillo	(617) 771-4508



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Randy and Kelly Sigler with a great keeper striped bass that was caught and released.

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<u>South Shore:</u>			
<i>(No Name)</i>		Gerald Podlisny	(781) 784-8655
<i>Ghillie</i>		Charles Wade	(508) 435-0559
COHASSET			
<i>Peter's Out</i>	21	Peter Flaherty	(781) 383-2035
<i>Queen Mareen II</i>		Robert Thompson	(781) 834-9489
<i>Sally Marie</i>		Matthew B. Marr	(781) 383-0348
DARTMOUTH			
<i>Striker</i>	24	Victor Lepage	(508) 757-7876
<i>Three C's</i>		Mario Picaro	(508) 946-5593
DUXBURY			
<i>Aquaholic</i>	26	Aquaholic Offshore Fishing, Scott West	(781) 834-2395
<i>Baymen</i>	22	David Bitters, Baymen Guide Service	(781) 934-2838
<i>Foolish Pleasure</i>	28	Mike Barbour	(781) 585-3589
<i>Iron Skippy</i>	23	John R. Bunar Jr.	(781) 910-0747
<i>Jicky</i>		John Brawley	(339) 933-0731
FAIRHAVEN			
<i>Andrea Lee</i>	24	Rodney Perry	(508) 993-7676
<i>Breakaway</i>		James Sanborn	(508) 775-7729

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<i>Macatac</i>	26	Mac-Atac Sportfishing, Todd MacGreger	(508) 992-9189
<i>Olivia Nicole</i>	24	Raymond Major	(508) 999-5501
<i>Skidbladnir</i>	28	Bethany Loescher	(508) 996-3892
<i>Ruben James</i>	24	Drew Kolek	(508) 758-2091
GREEN HARBOR, MARSHFIELD			
<i>Ashley Martha</i>	36	Kevin Scola	(781) 771-6235
<i>Survival</i>	42		
<i>Bay Runner</i>	18	Brian Flannery	(508) 697-7947
<i>Big Mac</i>		James McFarland	(617) 837-0308
<i>Bigfish</i>	27	Thomas Depersia	(781) 834-7504
<i>Bigfish II</i>	35		
<i>Bigfish III</i>	38		
<i>Bill's Bill</i>		William Harper	(413) 783-4168
<i>Cathy Ann</i>	38	David Patry	(781) 878-6798
<i>Golden Girl</i>		Kenneth Roth	(781) 834-1738
<i>Four Sons</i>		William Glynn	(781) 834-9023
<i>Lease II</i>	29	William Sullivan	(781) 344-5836
<i>Lori Anne</i>		Timothy Anderson	(617) 653-6791
<i>Low Bid</i>		George Turner	(508) 238-1395
<i>Ocean Runner</i>	44	Richard Flannery	(508) 697-6161
<i>Quality Time</i>	30	Steven James	(781) 834-2899
<i>Relentless</i>	31	Dave Waldrip	(781) 871-2113
<i>Renegade</i>		Chuck Cipoletta	(508) 612-0800
<i>Ridla</i>		Andrew Glynn	(781) 837-4714
<i>Rose Corey</i>	36	Gregory DeCesare	(781) 831-0459
<i>Sandpiper</i>		Willard Boulter	(781) 293-5910
<i>Seabourne</i>		Mark J. Hurley	(781) 834-1060
<i>Sharon B</i>	32	David Decastro	(781) 826-5231
<i>Sharon L</i>	40	Arthur Graham	(781) 826-2334
<i>Special K</i>		Charles Foley	(781) 789-6645

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<i>Stormdancer</i> <i>Twin Obsession</i>		Stephen Lynch	(781) 837-5424
HULL			
<i>Ariel</i>	23	Angelo Olivieri	(781) 925-1172
<i>First Light</i>		Chad Mahoney	(781) 925-3616
<i>Karen B</i>	35	Kevin Breen	(781) 925-3424
<i>Triple J Be</i>	35	John Meschino	(781) 925-9326
<i>Windemere</i>		Peter Mahoney	(781) 925-3100
MARION			
<i>Icyulus</i>	22	North Eastern Anglers, Joe Leclair	(508) 748-2656
MIDDLEBORO			
<i>Carpe Pisces</i>		John Roberson	(508) 245-9367
NEW BEDFORD			
<i>Capt. Leroy III</i>	60	Bryon Faltus	(508) 990-2834
<i>Miss Elaine</i>	36		
<i>Finesse</i>	25	Robert Demello	(508) 979-5657
<i>Frosty V</i>	40	Raymond Lyons	(781) 878-6882
<i>Pro-Fishin-Sea</i>		Paul Osmon	(508) 951-5522
<i>Rock N Reel</i>	24	Vern Robinson	(508) 822-6756
<i>Sea Robin</i>	25	Stan McCluskey	(508) 243-3230
<i>Seamus</i>		Lynwood Hartford	(508) 644-5517
<i>Skipjack</i>		Russell Cleary	(978) 461-0966
<i>Sole Mate</i>	32	Eric Brosler	(508) 376-2307
ONSET			
<i>Kelly Ann</i>		Kelly Ann Charters LLC	(508) 295-0051
PLYMOUTH			
<i>Andy Lynn II</i>	36	Mario Costa	(508) 746-4558
<i>Capt. John & Son</i>	80	Stan Tavares	(508) 746-2643
<i>Capt. John & Son II</i>	80		
<i>Capt. John & Son IV</i>	90		
<i>Cat's Cradle</i>		Charles Lemieux	(508) 747-2602
<i>Dianne Jean</i>	27	John Mogul	(508) 962-5199
<i>For Days Out II</i>		Erik Laudermilk	(781) 771-5869

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<i>Jersey Girl</i>		Reel Time Fishing Inc	(774) 437-1882
<i>Mary Elizabeth</i>	45	Timothy Brady	(508) 746-4809
<i>Miss Elizabeth</i>	31	Plymouth Charters,	(508) 747-3013
<i>(No Name)</i>		Randy Julius	(508) 378-2290
<i>Night Hawk</i>	16	James Smith	(508) 888-6372
<i>Sashamy</i>	28	Mark Amorello	(781) 294-4101
<i>Schelfish</i>	28	Rich Schelle	(508) 889-6027
<i>Sea Fever</i>		Matthew Nickerson	(781) 831-1612
<i>Wavelength</i>	31	David Hobson	(508) 746-6749
QUINCY			
<i>Alternative</i>	27	Bill & Jules Boat + Shore Fishing	(617) 633-6738
<i>Ave Maria II</i>	24	Michael Bousaleh	(617) 909-2125
<i>Fishstix</i>		Rich Armstrong & John Mendelson	(978) 314-2424
<i>Hammerhead</i>	29	Robert Briggs	(781) 829-0062
<i>Lorraine B</i>	35		
<i>Dede Lee</i>	20		
<i>Raider Nation</i>		Rowwie Munafo	(508) 326-9287
<i>The Queen</i>		Sea Quest Charters, Francis Sandomato	(617) 328-0072
SCITUATE			
<i>Alexa Ann</i>	25	Nautica Charter Fishing Inc.	(781) 545-5594
<i>Del-Emma</i>		Michael Cheverie	(781) 545-2631
<i>Endeavor</i>	42	Kevin Shea	(781) 545-6832
<i>Enoch</i>	30	Jayco Berggren	(781) 293-6656
<i>Half Fast</i>	35	Richard Rozen	(781) 545-6358
<i>Katie & Pat</i>		Patrick Bowes	(781) 545-5129
<i>Lillian H</i>		Joseph McCabe	(781) 545-7923
<i>Lorraine B</i>	35	Robert Briggs	(781) 829-0062
<i>Dede Lee</i>	20		
<i>Hammerhead</i>	29		
<i>Night Moves</i>	36	Ernest Trowbridge	(781) 545-0751
<i>Polar Bear</i>	38	Robert Glaskin	(781) 963-8860

Port/Vessel <i>Last Call</i>	Length 23	Captain/Outfitter Laurence Deraney	Telephone # (781) 545-0319
<i>Sea Lady</i>		Bob Seidel	(800) SEA-LADY
<i>Shearwater</i>	28	Albert Davis	(617) 312-9441
<i>White Cap</i>	33	Bradford White, White Cap Charters	(781) 834-0112
<i>Whoa Nellie</i>	25	Henry Johnson	(781) 337-4317
SWANSEA			
<i>Faracher</i>		Steven Abdow	(508) 679-3261
WAREHAM			
<i>Laura Lou</i>	29	Stewart Mills	(508) 335-1624
<i>Shooting Star</i>	25	William Fessenden	(508) 785-1793
WESTPORT			
<i>Banshee</i>	28	Donald Berube	(508) 892-4722
<i>Firefly 2</i>		Samuel Barnard	(617) 480-0628
<i>My Irish Waltz</i>		John Aylward	(508) 992-2167
<i>(No Name)</i>		Kenneth Zwirko, Bunker Down Charters	(201) 412- 5783
<i>Page Fore</i>		Ronald LePage	(508) 672-1238
WEYMOUTH			
<i>Chowda Pot</i>		Eugene Bernard	(781) 337-4284
<i>Draggin Fly</i>	21	Bill "Grizzly" Smith	(617) 688-1882
<i>Midnight IV</i>	28	Roger Brousseau	(781) 335-3298
<i>Reel Dream</i>	20	Wayne Frieden	(617) 909-7122
<i>Roccus</i>	20	Thomas Koerber	(617) 965-4833
<u>Cape Cod:</u>			
BARNSTABLE HARBOR			
<i>Aquarius</i>	35	Jeffrey Kadesh	(781) 603-9081
<i>Drifter</i>		Elaine Crompton	(508) 398-2061
<i>Escape</i>	35	Robert Betti	(508) 776-0350
<i>Gravy</i>	20	Avery Revere,	(508) 362-5482
<i>Lady J</i>	38	Philip Caliri	(508) 295-8552
<i>Lucky Lady</i>	36	John Carty	(508) 362-1249
<i>Malsie B</i>	32	Allen Belcher	(508) 362-9719

Port/Vessel <i>Sequestor 2</i>	Length 30	Captain/Outfitter William Korkuch	Telephone # (508) 362-2100
BASS RIVER <i>Golden Hours</i>	31	Albert Keller	(508) 362-3038
<i>Lyndsy Liz</i>		Bass River Charters, Ray Ransom	(508) 737-3162
BOURNE <i>Done Deal</i>		George Kavgic	(508) 944-8893
BREWSTER <i>Time Flies Too</i>		Time Flies Charters	(508) 896-6390
CENTERVILLE <i>Independence</i>		Anthony Troy	(508) 775-7280
<i>Manowar</i>	35	Walter Ungermann	(508) 362-3638
CHATHAM <i>Banshee</i>	31	Ronald Mcvickar	(508) 945-0403
<i>Brandiellen</i>	23	Dale Tripp	(508) 945-2227
<i>Kittiwake</i>		Kenneth Eldridge	(508) 432-5730
<i>Marilyn S</i>		Bruce Peters	(508) 255-0911
<i>(No Name)</i>		Matthew Swenson	(508) 945-7806
<i>Nothin Yet</i>	20	Paul Scheffler	(508) 255-8005
<i>Reel-Easy</i>		Alexander Malgieri	(508) 678-5065
<i>Regulator</i>	23	Jeffrey Bees	(978) 320-6923
<i>Riena Marie</i>		Theodore Ligenza	(508) 432-2628
<i>Seas The Day</i>		Rick Cunniff	(508) 945-9435
<i>Sorcerer</i>	21	David Ruddock	(508) 776-6577
<i>Sundance</i>	26	Robert Fish	(508) 945-3073
<i>Talisman</i>	21	Last Cast Charters	(508) 945-4849
<i>Tammy Rose</i>	38	Eric Stewart	(508) 240-0778
<i>Top Rod</i>		Cape Cod Charters	(508) 945-2266
DENNIS <i>Albatross</i>		Albatross Fishing LLC	(508) 385-3244
<i>Annie B</i>	42	Robert Bolduc	(508) 394-9499
<i>First Mate</i>		Randall Black	(508) 385-7133

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<i>Jah's II</i>	27	Robert Halloran	(508) 760-1146
<i>Janine B</i>	35	Wayne Bergeron	(508) 385-4404
<i>Lady Linda</i>	30	George Doucette	(781) 826-4915
<i>Prime Rate</i>	35	Donald Parker	(508) 385-9287
<i>Salt Shaker</i>	31	Daniel Hannon	(508) 221-5593
<i>Seaduced</i>		Robert Briggs	(508) 394-6546
<i>Striper</i>		William Sim	(508) 385-0051
<i>Striper R Us</i>	24	David Bois	(508) 362-9195
<i>The Nellie</i>		Mark Nelson	(508) 394-5877
<i>Tigger Too</i>	23	Bobt Joyce	(508) 888-8372
EASTHAM			
<i>(No Name)</i>		Dwayne Dewitt, C/C Enterprise Chartering	(508) 255-7574
FALMOUTH			
<i>Blue Fin</i>	28	Brian Courville	(508) 292-3244
<i>Eastwind</i>	35	Michael Doak	(508) 420-3934
<i>Hair Ball</i>	27	Eric Stapelfeld	(603) 654-7022
<i>Knot Guilty</i>		John Locke	(508) 265-6262
<i>Lee-Marie</i>	31	Donald Oliver	(508) 548-9498
<i>Long Haul</i>		James Silvestro	(617) 828-6946
<i>Minute Man</i>	40	Patriot Party Boats, Inc.	(508) 548-2626
<i>Patriot Too</i>	47		
<i>Riprunner</i>	20	Brian Cuddy	(508) 478-8090
<i>Sandpiper</i>		Mark Jones	(508) 548-9400
<i>Sea Dog</i>	34	Bruce Cranshaw	(508) 540-1421
<i>Sea-K II</i>	27	Charles Lambert	(508) 847-6025
HARWICH & HARWICHPORT			
<i>Arlie X</i>		Tom Szado	(508) 430-2454
<i>Capt'n + Tonaire</i>	35	Arthur Brosnan Jr.	(508) 246-6691
<i>Fire Fly</i>	33	Fred Clancy	(508) 432-3089
<i>Fishtale</i>	33	Morton Terry	(508) 432-3783

Port/Vessel <i>Julie</i>	Length	Captain/Outfitter William Seiler	Telephone # (508) 432-6477
<i>Magellan</i>	32	Len Greiner	(800) 848-8862
<i>Gracie J</i>	23	Glen Fernandes	(508) 737-6980
<i>Haywire</i>	36	Chris Pistel	(508) 246-0980
<i>Maverick</i>	39	John Riley	(401) 539-8281
<i>Reel Attitude</i>	39	Edward Carreiro	(508) 945-5227
<i>Sea Hook</i>		Earl Legeyt	(508) 775-4089
<i>Special Lady</i>		Michelle Andolina	(508) 432-1696
<i>Striper</i>	31	Robert Luce	(508) 432-4025
<i>Sue Z</i>	33	Thomas Traina	(508) 432-3294
<i>Take It Ez</i>	20	Tony Biski	(508) 241-8669
<i>Tuna Eclipse</i>	35	William Barker	(508) 737-0923
<i>Wild Goose</i>		Sean C. Burke	(508) 432-8694
<i>Yankee</i>	62	Clem Kacergis	(508) 432-2520
HYANNIS			
<i>Angler</i>	75	Fish & Friends LLC	(508) 790-0660
<i>Fish Hawk</i>	38	Fish Hawk Fishing Corp	(508) 790-9777
<i>Helen H</i>	100	Helen H. Offshore Fishing Corp	(508) 790-0660
<i>Lori-Ann</i>		Dorwin Allen	(508) 420-0399
<i>Reaction</i>		Reaction Offshore Fishing LLC	(508) 477-0690
<i>Rosey S</i>	36	Leslie Shwom	(508) 775-8517
<i>Sea Queen II</i>	62	Hy-Line Cruises	(508) 790-0696
<i>Sea Swan</i>	55		
<i>Seacure</i>	28	Charles Richmond	(508) 428-5083
<i>Stray Cat</i>	31	Ron Murphy	(508) 428-8628
MASHPEE			
<i>Janina</i>		John Greska	(508) 509-5628
<i>Maritime I</i>	21	Robert Morton	(508) 776-2770
<i>(No Name)</i>	21	James Herbert	(508) 259-6013



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A group of anglers enjoy a day of deep sea fishing on the "Yankee".

Port/Vessel	Length	Captain/Outfitter	Telephone #
<i>The Other Woman</i>	24	Kevin Donahue	(508) 539-0250
ORLEANS			
<i>Amber Lee</i>		Joseph Higgins	(508) 524-3182
<i>Bim Du Jour</i>		Rolfe Scofield	(508) 255-8595
<i>Highlander</i>	42	Peter Mackenzie	(508) 255-5061
<i>Ho Bo</i>	36	Andrew Napolitano	(508) 255-6081
<i>Lisa Marie</i>	30	Charles Gallagher	(508) 255-1370
<i>Millertime</i>		Charles Miller	(508) 255-5387
<i>Mystery</i>	35	Marc Costa	(508) 255-1111
<i>Sea Spray</i>	25	Glenn Wilcox	(508) 255-9849
<i>Terry II</i>	42	Donald Walwer	(508) 255-2406
<i>The Hook Up Tuna Fever</i>	38	Eric Stewart	(508) 240-0778
<i>Trashy Thoughts</i>		Shawn Delude	(508) 255-1419
<i>Triton</i>	38	Stephen A. Peters	(508) 255-1289
PROVINCETOWN			
<i>Beth Ann</i>	28	Richard Wood	(508) 487-0034
<i>Dixie II</i>		John Woods	(508) 255-5577

Port/Vessel <i>Fishmaker</i>	Length 20	Captain/Outfitter David Townsend	Telephone # (508) 349-2272
<i>Keepin' It Cool</i>		Shane Burhoe	(508) 349-5821
SANDWICH <i>Basshound</i>		Gerald Kissell	(508) 888-3402
<i>Catherine Anne</i>	25	Adam Graves	(508) 680-6686
<i>Elmo</i>		Ronald Barnes	(508) 367-7220
<i>Hookie</i>		Joel Finley	(508) 888-2222
<i>Laura Jay</i>	31	Don Cianciolo	(508) 888-4033
<i>Native Son</i>	23	James Howard	(508) 888-8515
<i>One Shot</i>		Mark Hickey	(508) 802-3774
<i>Outrage</i>		Larry Zarella	(508) 725-3333
<i>Poke About</i>		A & H Charters, INC	(508) 833-0567
<i>Rachel M</i>	34	Roy Mckenzie	(508) 477-2976
<i>Reel Sick</i>		Peter Phillips	(508) 728-4287
TRURO <i>El-Mo</i>	27	David Costa	(508) 487-3208
<i>Hayshaker</i>		Joshua Morris	(508) 413-9194
<i>Reel Deal</i>	23	Robert Rice	(508) 487-3767
<i>Schooney</i>		Schooney Fishing Charters, Eric L. Morea	(508) 349-6888
WELLFLEET <i>Close Enough</i>		Ramon Rustia	(508) 349-0066
<i>Erin H</i>		Robert Hussey	(508) 349-9663
<i>Jac's Mate</i>	35	George Ministeri	(508) 255-2978
<i>Naviator</i>	55	Rick Merrill	(508) 349-6003
<i>Saddletramp</i>		Andrew Cummings	(508) 349-0819
<i>Snooper</i>	36	Joseph Domenico	(508) 237-4600
<i>West Arrow I</i>		John Fitzgerald	(508) 349-9227
WOODS HOLE <i>Runnin' Late</i>		Get The Net Charters, Nat Chalkley	(804) 347-2353
<i>Obadiah</i>	26	Stephen Page	(508) 540-2895

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<i>Susan Jean</i>	22	John Christian	(508) 548-6901
YARMOUTH & YARMOUTHPORT			
<i>Alydar</i>	23	Alexander Gounaris	(508) 958-9730
<i>Event Horizon</i> <i>Katie B</i>		Cape Cod Fish Charters	(508) 685-2501
<i>Revolution</i>		Duane Gelzer	(508) 375-0339
<i>Striper Shark</i>		Russell Giammarco	
<u>The Islands:</u>			
CUTTYHUNK			
<i>Cuttyhunk Water Taxi</i>		John Paul Hunter	(508) 789-3250
<i>Dorsal jr</i>	27	Charles Tilton	(508) 992-8181
<i>Finesse</i>	25	Robert Demello	(508) 979-5657
<i>Lisa G</i>	20	Russel Wright	(508) 965-7362
<i>Rudy J</i>		James Nunes	(508) 993-7427
<i>Triton</i>		Steven Camara	(508) 999-3548
<i>Wahini</i>		Jay Bruce Borges	(508) 999-1263
MARTHA'S VINEYARD:			
EDGARTOWN			
<i>Becca</i>		Robert Coad	(508) 627-9857
<i>Hob Knob Inn</i>		Inn Business, Inc.	(508) 627-9510
<i>Jean Marie</i>	18	John Crocker	(508) 627-6807
<i>Machaca</i>	31	William Hatch	(508) 540-6718
<i>Mooncusser II</i>	23	Russell Lawrence	(508) 627-9670
<i>Second Chance</i>		W Contessa	(508) 962-9576
<i>Short-fuse</i>		Steven Purcell	(508) 627-3129
<i>White Water</i>	30	Everett Francis	(508) 627-5963
MENEMSHA			
<i>Catlaina</i>	25	Charlie Finnerty	(508) 645-9238
<i>Flashy Lady</i>	26	Dick Vincent	(508) 645-2462
<i>Phoenix II</i>		Tom Langman, Up Island Charters	(508) 645-9721
OAK BLUFFS			
<i>Banjo</i>		Robert Plante	(508) 693-3154

Port/Vessel <i>Skipper</i>	Length 42	Captain/Outfitter John Potter	Telephone # (508) 693-1238
<i>Summer's Lease</i>	28	Robert Weiss,	(508) 693-2880
VINEYARD HAVEN			
<i>Capawock</i>		Phil Cronin	(617) 448-2030
<i>Done Deal</i>	36	Done Deal Charters, Jeffrey Canha	(508) 737-5717
<i>Kavorka</i>	20	Jeffrey Sayre	(508) 693-4841
<i>Little Tunny</i>	22	John Schillinger	(508) 939-0288
<i>Nova</i>	36	Michael Strada	(508) 693-4020
WEST TISBURY			
<i>Dinner Belle</i>		John Hoy, Dinner Belle Charters	(508) 696-9088
NANTUCKET			
<i>Albacore</i>	35	Robert Decosta	(508) 228-5074
<i>Althea K</i>		Peter Kaizer	(508) 325-2167
<i>Jabb</i>	25	Thomas Mleczko	(508) 228-4225
<i>Priscilla J</i>	29		
<i>Purple Water</i>	30		
<i>Roccus</i>	18		
<i>Flyaway</i>	26	Jeffrey Heyer & Lynne Burchelle Heyer	(508) 228-4900
<i>Chandelle</i>			
<i>Herbert T</i>	28	Fred Tonkin	(508) 228-6655
<i>Hooked Up</i>	32	Dale Waine	(508) 221-1115
<i>Fancy Ann</i>		Russell Cleveland	(508) 227-7444
<i>Monomoy</i>		Josh Eldridge	(508) 228-6867
<i>Olga Marie</i>		Paul O'Rourke	(508) 257-9195
<i>Provider</i>	43	Bob Decosta	(508) 325-1920
<i>Sankaty Head</i>	22	Hal Herrick	(508) 325-1575
<i>Shearwater</i>		Blair Perkins	(508) 228-7037
<i>Starrfish</i>	35	James Starr	(508) 228-6950
<i>Thomas W</i>	25	Peter Sheppard, Rusty Fly Charter	(508) 982-5392
<i>Rusty Fly</i>	18		
<i>Zannah</i>	28	Bruce Beebe	(508) 325-3125

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Let’s continue to enjoy and value our natural resources.”



Photo by Christopher Beebe

Abundant schools of bluefin tuna have become a favorite target for many Massachusetts anglers. Here Chris Beebe poses with a bluefin tuna he caught in June.

Photo courtesy Sean Collins



Photo by Robert Forsythe



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Brendan, Sean, and Ryan Collins with a schoolie striper caught off Rockport (top left); Nick Forsythe with a bonito he caught in Vineyard Sound. (top right); Jim Cornwell with an award winning false albacore (bottom).

Have a favorite fishing related photograph? We are looking for photos to 'liven up' the pages of the Saltwater Recreational Fishing Guide. Whether it is of the family fishing trip or of the 'Big One' that didn't get away, you can contribute. Please submit all photos to:

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As part of our role in the active management of marine fisheries resources, and the desire to reduce unnecessary waste of those resources, the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries is actively encouraging the use of circle hooks. We promote their use in fisheries that use baited hooks for the capture of striped bass, tunas, and other species where they can effectively reduce the mortality of released fish. This advice is based upon findings of research done by our own biologists and other researchers.

An example of a fishery where circle hooks can have a big impact is our local striped bass fishery. Massachusetts' anglers annually catch and release millions of striped bass. An estimated 8% of those fish are lost to the population by mortality associated with that practice.

Two recent DMF research projects focused on the use of circle hooks when using bait for striped bass and tunas. In those experiments circle hooks showed a reduction in the rate of potential lethal wounding, and subsequent mortality. Estimates of lethal wounding were approximately 1.6 % for circle hooks and 27.5 % for j-hooks. Obviously, a considerable difference with circle hooks. Other researchers have had similar results.

Researchers have also estimated the effectiveness of circle hooks to hook fish that took natural baits. Results indicate that circle hooks catch slightly more fish than j- hooks. Even untended rods caught fish.

Because of the clear advantages of the use of circle hooks we strongly encourage their use by anglers. We also recommend that anglers learn more about how these hooks can benefit all fisheries resources.

Catch & Release

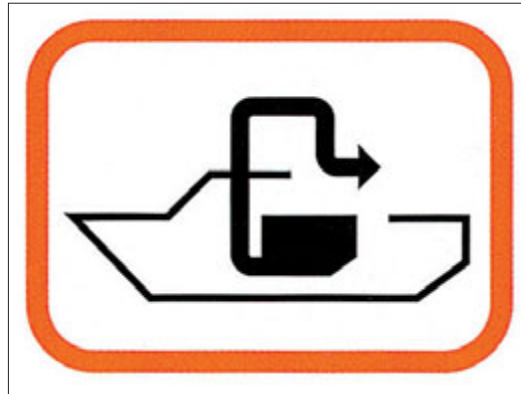
Why release the fish you just caught? Well, it could be that the fish is a sublegal size, you've already caught your bag limit, you may prefer a different species to eat or you just want to enjoy the thrill of reeling in a fish. For whatever the reason, it's important to know how to properly handle your catch so that there's a good chance for survival once released back into the water.

Here are a few tips:

- ❖ If fishing with bait use circle hooks.
- ❖ If fishing with artificials, flatten the hook barb with a pair of pliers or file down the barb.
- ❖ Be attentive and set the hook immediately to prevent the fish from swallowing the hook. Setting the hook is not necessary with circle hooks.
- ❖ Reduce the play time. The longer the fish fights, the higher the stress level for the fish, which reduces the chances for recovery.
- ❖ If possible, leave the fish in the water while removing the hook. If you need to bring the fish on shore or into a boat, first wet your hands or use a wet rag when handling the fish. To help calm the fish, place a wet rag over it's eyes. Avoid dropping the fish on deck/shore or letting the fish thrash against any hard surfaces.
- ❖ If the fish has swallowed the hook, **DO NOT FORCEFULLY REMOVE THE HOOK**. Cut the line as close to the mouth as possible and then release the fish. In many instances the hook will rust away.
- ❖ Return the fish to the water head first. Revive a fatigued fish by supporting it in a swimming position in the water and gently move it back and forth until it is recovered enough to swim.
- ❖ Don't use the gills or eyes as a hand hold. Use the lower jaw if the fish doesn't have sharp teeth. If hooked in the gills, then use a tool (e.g. needlenose pliers) to carefully remove hook.

As you can see, it just takes a little forethought and common sense to enjoy our saltwater fisheries in a responsible manner.

The Massachusetts Clean Vessel Act (CVA) Program



The Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries' Clean Vessel Act (CVA) Program has removed in excess of 3,000,000 gallons of effluent from boats moored in the Commonwealth's marine waters since its inception in 1994. One of the first states to provide free pumpout facilities for recreational boaters Through the Act, Massachusetts has put more pumpout boats in service than any other state. In 1998, the States Organization for Boating Access (SOBA) awarded a "State CVA Excellence Award" to the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries. This award was given in recognition of the enlightened and innovative implementation of the CVA program in Massachusetts, involving the wide-spread deployment of a network of pumpout boats in the state's coastal waters. This extensive coverage, coupled with the many shore side stations placed in service, provide the infrastructure needed to achieve and maintain the goal of designation of the Commonwealth's coastal waters as a federal No- Discharge Area.

Grant funding is provided through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Sportfish Restoration Program, and has averaged about \$700,000 per year. The Division of Marine Fisheries administers these funds and reimburses up to 75 percent of the total project costs to cities, towns, and private marinas, for their pumpout facilities.

The public has shown great enthusiasm in cooperating with the CVA program and its goal of cleaner coastal waters. Free and convenient pump-outs have created an atmosphere where recreational boaters are no longer in search of locations to have their holding tanks pumped. There are currently 62 CVA funded pumpout boats, 50 fixed location shore side stations, and 14 operational dump stations available to the boating public. A user-friendly boaters' guide is prepared and updated on an annual basis listing all locations for pumpout services. The guide can be found in most Marinas and Harbormaster's offices throughout the state. For more information about the CVA Program, contact: Tom Beaulieu (617-626-1525; thomas.beaulieu@state.ma.us) or see the Division of Marine Fisheries Web site at: <http://www.mass.gov/marinefisheries> and click Clean Vessel Act.

Visit our Home Page at www.mass.gov/marinefisheries



The Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries website has:

- Commercial and recreational regulations
- Salt Water Fishing Derby standings
- Permit applications
- *Marine Fisheries* publications
- and much more!

To get up to date rule changes and notices you can also join the ***Marine-Fisheries Listserv***. This is a notification list only, where you will receive timely information from the Division regarding fishery openings and closings, regulation changes and public hearing notices. We hope to use this listserv to keep our constituents more informed and eventually reduce our reliance on paper mail. Please encourage other interested parties to join this list.

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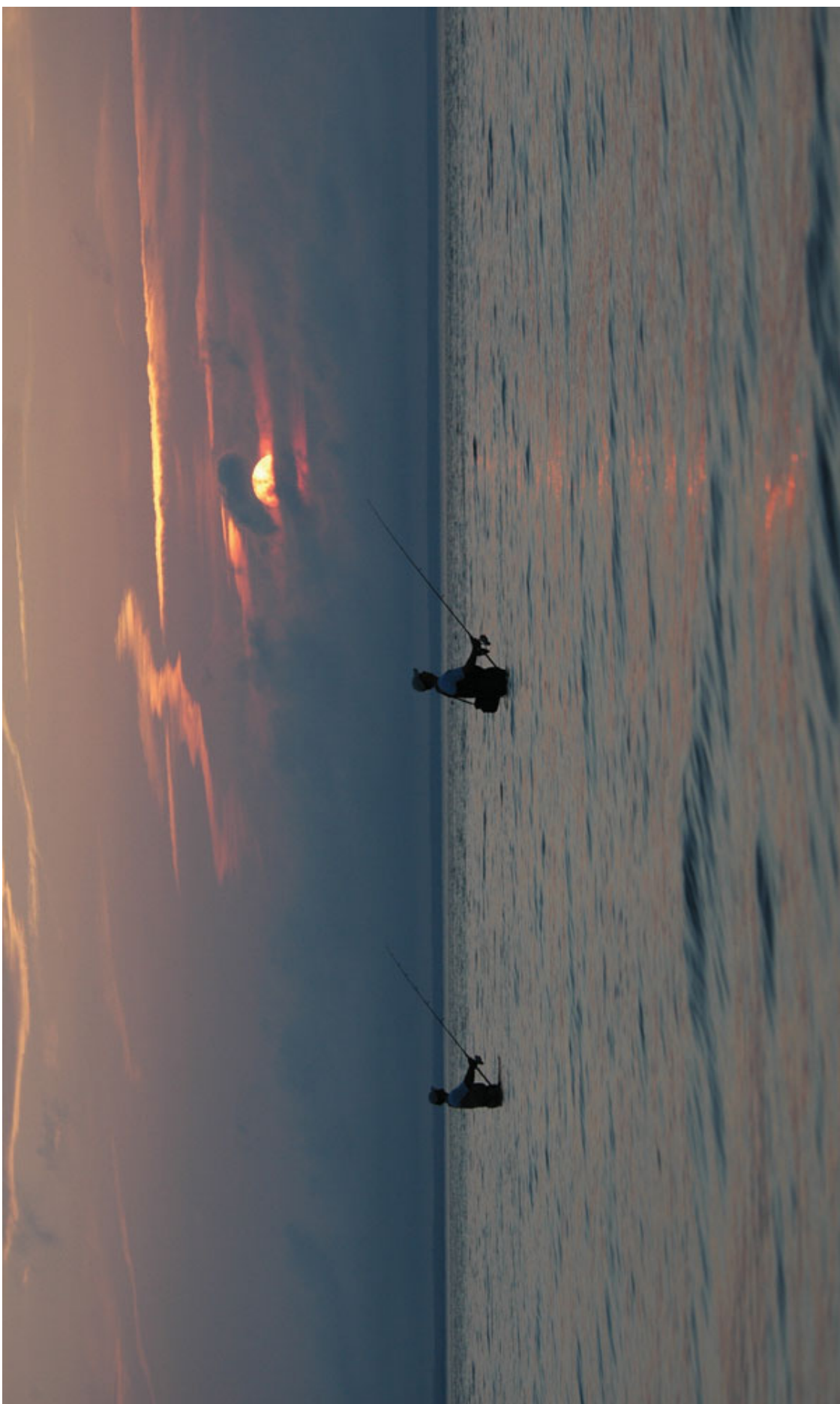
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